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E. P. Tax Again For Sinews Of War

No Mahatma-Viceroy Correspondence

Mahadev Desai Contradicts Press Reports

WARDHA, Feb. 25

In connection with a report appearing in a Nagpur paper stating that certain correspondence passed between Gandhiji and the Viceroy on the question of treatment of Satyagraha prisoners, Mr. Mahadev Desai informed the "United Press" that the report was "absolutely misleading", as no such correspondence had passed between them.

He further observed that newspapers should be more careful and responsible in publishing such kind of news, as it created unnecessary misunderstandings It is learnt that the report that Gandhiji is visiting Garhwal is incorrect.

Maharajkumar Sir Vijaya of Vizianagram saw Gandhiji again today and discussed with him the political situation in the country for one hour.

He is leaving for Nagpur tomorrow morning. He will be leaving for Allahabad with Gandhiji. —United Press.

NO-CONFIDENCE IN SIND MINISTRY

Assembly Congress Party To Support Motion

KARACHI, Feb. 25.

The Sind Assembly Congress Party to-day resolved to support a no-confidence motion against the Ministry, holding that the Premier Mir Bunde Ali Khan, by not resigning on February 15 as stipulated in the Azad Agreement, had nullified it.—

The non-confidence motions against Mir Bundehalikhan, the Premier and Khan Bahadur Khuro to be moved by Pir Elahi Bux and Pirazada Abdul Satar respectively will come up before the Assembly which commences the budget session to-morrow.

"LIBERALS TOOK NO INITIATIVE"

Chandavarkar Contradicts Patna Report

BOMBAY Feb. 25

Mr. V.N. Chandavarkar, President of the National Liberal Federation, has issued the following statement:—

"My attention has been drawn to a message from Patna dated the 24th instant. The statement made therein that informal consultations were held in Bombay last January between Sir Jagdish Prasad, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar and myself is without any foundation. I have had no consultation either with Sir Jagdish Prasad or Dr. Ambedkar. I may take this opportunity of mentioning that the Liberal Party has taken no initiative in the matter of calling any conference either in Bombay or elsewhere."—A. P.

DE GAULLE FORCES GOING STRONG

MADRID, Feb. 25.

Recruiting for the De Gaulle Forces is proceeding in French North Africa where De Gaulle propaganda is intense, says a Tangier message to the "Efe" Spanish News Agency, which says further, "North Africa draws the attention of Spain whose interests are directly and immediately affected by any change."—Reuter

'LUFTWAFFE' FOR RUMANIA & ITALY

BELGRADE, Feb. 24.

Large reinforcements of the 'Luftwaffe' left Austria for Rumania and Italy in the past few days according to reliable reports received here. Units of ground staff have also been going to Italy. —Reuter.

Four-Power Pact To Counter Jap. Offensive

Big Pacific Military Combine Mooted: Economic Blockade To Do The Rest

CHUNGKING, February 25.

The formation of Four-Power alliance in the Pacific comprising Britain, the United States, Australia and the Dutch Indies is proposed in a leading article in the influential Chinese daily, "Tangugapo".

The paper says: Recent developments as well as their common interests make such an alliance logical and natural for the defence of their possessions, rights and interests.

The newspaper expresses the opinion that the combined strength of the Four Powers will be to check the Japanese southward expansion movement. It says that using the Australian New Zealand and Singapore naval bases recently reinforced, the United States Pacific fleet can be a formidable force

The Dutch Indies has three cruisers, eight destroyers, one squadron of submarines, eight minelayers and eight minesweepers. If the situation in the Mediterranean further improves in favour of Britain, part of the British fleet may be sent to the Far East. There are 100 airfields in the Philippines including two specially completed military air fields. 20 in the Dutch Indies and at least another 20 in Malaya.

During the past eight years, the Dutch Indies have purchased 1800 planes. Since the air force is the weak arm in Japanese armed forces, the combined strength of the Four Powers airforces can be easily match that of Japan. A naval economic blockade by the Four Powers in the Pacific can deal a death-blow to Japan.

Americans To Quit Thailand

BANGKOK, Feb. 25.

The United States Minister to Thailand has advised United States women and children and also men, whose presence is not highly essential, to consider returning to the United States.

The Minister adds that the advice is not meant to cause alarm. —Reuter.

A.R.P. TRY-OUT IN BATAVIA

LONDON, Feb. 25.

A shriek of airaid sirens at six o'clock this (Tuesday) morning warned the inhabitants of Java of the start of air-raid precautions, a try-out of which will last until Thursday says the Batavia wireless.

The practice will endeavour to follow as closely as possible the course of events in time of war, and the intention is to make the population more air-minded. At sundown, all motor vehicles must reduce their speeds to ten kilometres per hour, and all lights are to be screened with colour. At night when sirens wail a total blackout is to be observed.—Reuter.

Situation In Bulgaria

LONDON, Feb. 25.

No further information regarding the situation in the Balkans generally and Bulgaria in particular has reached London, says Reuter's diplomatic correspondent.

While there is no confirmation in London of a report that the British Minister in Sofia is preparing to leave, it is understood that the Minister has advised all those Britons living in Bulgaria whose work does not compel them to remain to leave the country. Most of them have already left. —Reuter.

JUGOSLAV MINISTER FOR BUDAPEST

LONDON, Feb. 25.

According to reports reaching London the Jugoslav Foreign Minister, M. Markovitch, leaves tonight for Budapest on a visit to the Hungarian Foreign Office in return for the visit paid by the late Count Czaky last December.

Documents of ratification, it is reported, will be exchanged on recently concluded Hungaro-Jugoslav Pact of Friendship, through which it is considered in Belgrade that all differences between the two countries have been settled.—Reuter.

NAZI TACTICS IN BALKANS

SOFIA, Feb. 25.

Although the Germans are believed to have made preparations down to the minutest detail to attack Greece through Bulgaria, observers in Sofia think they may hold their hand for a few days in the hope of news of Italian successes in Albania. The weather, however, is unfavourable for a German move.—Reuter.

GENERAL ELECTION IN RUMANIA

BERLIN, Feb. 25.

Gen. Antonescu, the Rumanian Prime Minister, announced to-day that a general election will be held in Rumania on March 2, according to a Bucharest dispatch to the German News Agency.—Reuter.

EDEN IN TURKEY

Will Meet Sarajoglu To-day

ANKARA, Feb. 25.

The Britisn Foreign Secretary Mr. Eden will have a conference with the Turkish Foreign Minister Mr. Sarajoglu here to-morrow while Gen. Sir John Dill, Chief of the Imperial General Staff will see Marshal Chakmak, Chief of the Turkish General Staff. Mr. Eden and Gen. Dill arrived by air at Adana to-day and left almost immediately by special train for the Turkish capital, where they are due to-morrow.—Reuter.

ROME, Feb. 25.

THE EGYPTIAN DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES LEFT RUMANIA ON MONDAY, SAILING FROM CONSTANZA FOR ISTANBUL, SAYS A BUCHAREST DISPATCH TO THE STEFANI AGENCY.—REUTER.

Central Budget Prospects

DEFICIT FORECAST

Huge Landslide In Salt And Customs

(From Our Correspondent).

NEW DELHI, Feb. 25.

Speculations in the Lobby on the eve of the Finance Member's Budget statement are considerably less this year than usual. According to the statement made by Sir J. Raisman in November last, the deficit expected in the current year was Rs. 13 to 15 crores.

The first fact to be remembered is that as a result of figures announced by the Railway Member, central finances may expect five crores more from railways than originally calculated. Other favourable factors to be taken into account are receipts from emergency taxation imposed in November last which may be well over two crores profits under the head of Currency and Mint, from subsidiary coinage of rupee notes and lesser interest charges. Taking all these facts into consideration the general expectation is that the deficit in the current year may be in the neighbourhood of 5 or 6 crores.

INCREASE IN INCOME-TAX

The general revenue receipts upto the end of December show that there has been a slight increase under the Income-Tax though there is some fall in the Corporation tax. Both the Customs and Salt have taken a deep, downward trend, the only offset being a fairly big rise in excise collections As compared with the Budget estimate of 89 crores for a whole year the first nine months have brought under the main revenue heads 50½ crores—8 crores less than last year for the same period. The position regarding the coming year is uncertain as nothing is definitely known of Defence expansion plans and their probable cost. According to Sir J. Raisman's statement in November last, the commitments involve an increase in recurring expenditure of 16 crores annually and non-recurring expenditure of over 30 crores spread over the next year or two. As a good deal will be met from Defence loans, the position is not likely to be as serious as one had feared.

HIGHER EXCESS PROFITS TAX?

Still no one is so optimistic as to think that Sir J. Raisman would be able to avoid further taxation. Lobby anticipations mention probable increase in Excess Profit Tax which, during current year, is expected to bring 3 crores and next year as much as thrice that amount. The increase to 66 2/3 from 50 is expected—also some small increase in Income-Tax. Sir J. Raisman's policy is said to be to select such items for additional taxation as will fall on middle or upper classes. No further increase in Postal rates is expected for the present. It is felt also that the time has not come to tap further sources like salt but revision of certain excise duties is possible to make up for the loss in Customs —especially items like petrol.

STOP PRESS

SHANGHAI OUTRAGE.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 25.

A Japanese private was killed and a corporal wounded when Chinese gunmen fired on them in the Japanese occupied section of the International Settlement today. Another Chinese gunman is reported to have shot at a Japanese naval officer but it is not known whether the officer was wounded. One of the gunmen is reported to have been arrested.

Communications between Washington and the remainder of the Settlement was cut off for some hours.—Reuter.

R. A. F. Will Bomb Out Nazi Faith In Fuehrer

Britain's Air Chief Promises To Hit Germans In Germany In Coming Month

"We shall see whether during the next twelve months the bombs which destroy German factories and communications will not also shatter the faith of the German people in Adolf Hitler" declared Sir Archibald Sinclair, the Air Minister, speaking in London on Tuesday. He promised heaviest blows yet against Germany in the coming months.

LONDON, Feb. 25.

"Hit the Germans in Germany" —Lord Trenchard's slogan for the R.A.F. in the last war—is still the R.A.F.'s slogan," said Sir Archibald Sinclair.

A spirit of offensive dominated their training, and the fighter arm was carrying the war across the channel with offensive sweeps. Britain was strongly reinforcing the defences of the trade routes, and her attacks on submarine bases and aerodromes from which four-engined bombers preyed on British shipping, were meeting with success.

Emphasising the determination to bomb the Germans in Germany, Sir Archibald Sinclair said that Britain grudged every bomb dropped in France, Belgium, Holland and Norway. Many wrecks around the enemy's coasts testified to the usefulness of the highly dangerous and skilled work of aerial mine-laying. At the beginning of the battle of Libya, Britain had a right to feel misgivings, for the Italian Air Force outnumbered the R.A.F. by three or four to one; but the R.A.F. was so successful that the Italian Air Force never played an effective part.

LESSON OF MALTA

Sir Archibald also spoke of the effective work in East Africa of the South African and Rhodesian Squadrons. Since Italy's entry in the war, Malta was continually attacked from the air, but the people's spirit was unshaken, and the R.A.F. and the Fleet Air Arm fighters had been severely tested, but had driven back and vanquished the Germans and Italians alike.

On three gruelling days in January when a mass German attack was launched on Malta, the enemy lost 90 dive-bombers, and it was some little time before they returned. Enemy morale was visibly affected.

HEAVIEST BLOWS YET TO COME

The R.A.F. in Greece with the Greek Air Force had pounded the enemy. In the Italian theatre, the R.A.F., the Royal Australian Air Force and the Fleet Air Arm had done greater damage to German and Italian production than the enemy had done to Britain's war effort.

Sir Archibald Sinclair promised the heaviest blows yet in the coming months. "We shall see whether during the next twelve months the bombs which destroy German factories and communications will not also shatter the faith of the German people in Adolf Hitler," he said.

The Air Ministry and the Ministry of Aircraft production were devoting their energies to defeating the night bombers. No immunity from night bombing was possible, and as the weather improved, the Germans must be expected to resume the attacks on a greater scale than ever. They would fail again, and no risks would be refused by the pilots to make the attacks progressively more costly. "The people of this country," he declared, "will not suffer alone. Our blows will fall taster and harder on the enemy."

R.A.F ACTIVE OVER GERMANY

The South African Air Force's Rhodesian squadrons had destroyed more than a thousand Italian planes since Italy's entry into the war. This was in addition to German planes in the same theatre. Leaving out of account the monthly output, that was half the first line strength with which the Italian Air Force entered the war. The policy regarding Germany was to hit where it would be most effective. Hence Hamm was bombed 82 times, Hamburg was visited 62 times, Cologne 55, Manheim 35, and on 35 occasions, the R.A.F. had ridden through winter storms and fogs to Berlin.

The British people had been heartened in the Blitz ordeal by the prodigies of valour and skill of the British bombers which were growing in numbers, range and power. "Do not forget they travel three times as far to Berlin and back, as the Germans have to London," Sir Archibald Sinclair concluded.—Reuter.

NAZI SOLDIERS ON LEAVE RECALLED

LONDON, Feb. 25.

All German soldiers on leave from Norway are to report at once to the nearest military authorities either personally or by telephone and to state the date of the expiration of their leave, says the German radio to-day (Tuesday). —Reuter.

Monkeying With It

Japan's Final Offer In Indo-China-Thailand Negotiations

TOKYO, Feb. 25.

Japan has submitted a compromise proposal in an attempt to break the deadlock in the negotiations between Thailand and French Indo-China, according to well-informed Japanese quarters who indicate that "the proposal will be Japan's final offer in the current negotiations".

The areas to be ceded to Thailand should "historically speaking belong to Thailand", state the Japanese.

The Japanese Official News Agency Somei issues a warning against "interference by third powers who wish to see the Tokyo Peace Conference end in failure" and adds "the Japanese Government is keeping a close watch on the situation".—Reuter.

Japanese Naval Delegation In Berlin

BERLIN, Feb. 25.

A Japanese naval delegation under Vice-Admiral Nomura arrived in Berlin to-day, says the Official German News Agency. The delegation is to stay several months in Germany.—Reuter.

GOLD-DIGGERS OF 1941

CUDDAPPAH, Feb. 25.

The enquiry conducted by the revenue authorities in connection with the reported find of a treasure trove in Sidhavattam early this month, reveals that gold valued at more than Rs. 25,000 was found by some coolies engaged in excavating earth for the foundation of police quarters.—A. P.

PROMINENT SOCIALISTS ARRESTED

Echo Of Armed Dacoity & House Raid At Chapra In January

CHAPRA, Feb. 25.

About 20 persons including several prominent members of the Chapra Socialist Party and the driver of a Prohibition propaganda van have been arrested in connection with an armed dacoity which was committed in this town on January 7 last.

The dacoits, it is stated, had fired at and injured a police constable and several local inhabitants who had come to the rescue on an alarm being raised by the inmates of the raided house.

A number of houses have also been searched and the police have seized an unlicensed revolver and many cartridges from one of them.

Further investigation is proceeding.—A. P.

IMMIGRATION TO CEYLON

State Council To Pass Laws For Its Control

COLOMBO, Feb. 25.

The Ceylon Board of Ministers considered to-day the draft legislation regarding immigration and Allied subjects which are expected to be introduced in the State Council next week.

The "Ceylon Observer" understands that the Ministers have approved of the draft of two Bills, one dealing with the control of immigration and the other providing for registration of non-Ceylonese.—A. P.

SOVIET SUPREME COUNCIL MEETS

MOSCOW, Feb. 25.

The Supreme Council of the U. S. S. R. Parliament held a formal meeting to-day and then adjourned until 7 p.m. (16.00 G.M.T.).

NEW DEPUTIES

New deputies from the four new Soviet Republics of Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia and Moldavia (the territory ceded by Rumania) were welcomed and a two-point agenda adopted consisting of the budget for 1941 and approval of laws passed in the last session.—Reuter.

SOVIET OILING NAZI WAR MACHINE

BERLIN, Feb. 25.

Two Soviet ships are now used in addition to Rumanian tankers for carrying Rumanian oil products from Constanza to the Bulgarian Black Sea port of Varna, according to a Bucharest report to the official German News Agency.—Reuter.

BERLIN, Feb. 25.

The level of the Danube and tributaries continues to rise, the German News Agency reports from Belgrade.

Several streets in the lower districts of Belgrade on the Save river have already been flooded and floods have occurred in several Yugoslav provinces.—Reuter.

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(4417)

POLICE NOTICE

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This order is made under section 23(4) of the Bombay City Police Act IV of 1902.

W. R. G. SMITH.
Commissioner of Police.

Head Police Office,
Bombay, 25th February 1941.

4421.

NOTICE.

AHMEDABAD MUNICIPALITY

Kalupur Relief Road Scheme.

SALE OF PLOTS

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(4303)

NOTICE TO JURYMEN.

GENTLEMEN of the Special Jury, summoned for the current Criminal Sessions are required to attend at the High Court on WEDNESDAY, the 26th February, 1941, at 2-45 p. m. (S. T.).

T. SINCLAIR KENNEDY.
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Bombay, 25th February, 1941.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD.

(Order 41, Rule 14 of Act No. V of 1908, and Chapter XVIII, Rules 1 and 2)

Appellate Civil Jurisdiction.

First Appeal No. 181 of 1940 filed on 9/5/1940

LALA SHYAMLAL GOMATWALA ..... Appellant.
Vs.
NANDLAL and others ..... Respondents.

Appeal from the decree passed by the Court of Jagan Nath Singh Esqr., Civil Judge, Bulandshahr dated the 29th day of March, 1940, in suit No. 1 of 1938.

(3) To,

Murarji Udhavji, resident of Ghuria Bagh, Aligarh, at present residing in Cotton Ginning and Pressing Factory Dibai, Respondent.

TAKE NOTICE that an appeal from the decree passed by the court of Jagan Nath Singh Esqr., Civil Judge, Bulandshahr dated 29th March 1940, in suit No. 1 of 38, in this case has been presented by the appellant and registered in this Court, that the 10th day of March 1941, has been fixed by this Court to determine whether all the respondents have been duly served and that the appeal will be laid before the Court for hearing as soon thereafter as the same may be heard.

If no appearance is made on your behalf, by yourself, your Advocate, or by some one by law authorized to act for you in this appeal it will be heard and decided ex parte in your absence.

Given under the seal of the Court, this 19th day of Dec. 1940.

Note—Process fee, viz. *chargeable under * of the Rules of the 18th January, 1898 (revised and corrected up to 31st May, 1937,) has been levied.

*Here quote the rule of the rules of Court applicable.

S. C. DAS.
Advocate for Appellant
Dated 9-12-1940.

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POLYTECHNIC FOR BOMBAY

Manu Subedar Pleads For Expansion Of V. J. T. Institute

Presiding at the Annual Gathering and Prize-distribution of the Textile Association of the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute on Monday evening, Mr. Manu Subedar M.L.A. (Central) declared the establishment of that institution half a century ago one of the beneficent acts of British authorities in India. The economic tragedy of India during the last two centuries had been the inevitable displacement of the artisan. Skilled labour had been forced to unskilled work. It was the duty of every one in India to see that this process was reversed and that, from a mass of unskilled men and women, skilled craftsmen were turned out. It is for this reason that the work of the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute merits public commendation.

NEED FOR POLYTECHNIC

Mr. Subedar dealt with the difficulty of admission, about which he had heard, and suggested an expansion of the institution. He advised the students to engage themselves in practical work during the vacations. He stressed the need of a polytechnic in Bombay on the lines of the Polytechnic in London, where evening classes would be conducted in technical subjects for the benefit of those, who were engaged during the day. He was sure, if free scope was given, there was much inventive skill in India. Had Government listened to the appeals of public leaders for more extensive technical education and for encouraging the growth of industries in India, the need for technicians would not have been felt as acutely as it was being felt now.

BETTER LATE THAN NEVER

Government was proposing to spend Rs. 20 lakhs to secure more technicians, and there was the scheme of "Bevin boys" being sent to the United Kingdom. The war had galvanised authorities into action in a direction, in which Government officials had hitherto adopted a chilling and discouraging attitude towards the appeals and representations of public men. It was better to have these things done later than never, but Mr. Subedar was anxious that these measures should, be permanent. India's technical advance would at all times be an advantage to the United Kingdom, which her agents in India were too shortsighted to have noticed in the past.

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RIGHTS OF JAGIRI LANDS' OCCUPANTS

Plea For Protection Before Congress Assembly Party Conference

KARACHI, Feb. 24.

An enquiry into the rights of hereditary occupants of Jagiri land and the maintenance of a record by Government, a survey settlement of Jagiri within a fixed period and the collection of land revenue by Government from them, were the demands made by occupants of hereditary lands in Jagirs at a conference of the members of Sind Congress Assembly Party, Hyderabad District to consider the Government Bill to afford protection to these occupants.

The Conference further demanded that Government should supply them with water direct without the intervention of Jagirdars. It may be mentioned that Jagiri lands in the province extended to over 11,00,000 acres out of which 3,75,000 acres are in possession of hereditary occupants. —A. P.

Desecration Of Ramakrishna Maharaj's Remains Alleged

Feelings of excitement bordering on consternation prevail among the followers of the Akalkot Kuth at Prabhadevi, at the alleged desecration of the remains of Swami Ramakrishna Maharaj Jambhekar, the late head priest of the Muth.

The Swami died more than a year ago in January 1940 and was buried at the Hindu cemetery at Mahim

Since then the spot became a place of pilgrimage to the followers of the late Swami. Some time later, the Yuvaraja of Mysore, who died in Bombay, was also cremated near the same spot.

It is understood that the authorities of the Mysore State had reserved a large plot of land, including the spot where the Swami was buried, to build a 'Brindavan' in memory of the late Yuvaraja.

It is further understood that negotiations were proceeding between the trustees of the cemetery and the followers of the late Swami in this connection.

It would appear that a few days ago when the pujari, who had been appointed by the followers of the Swami, visited the place to offer his daily worship he found that the Swami's grave had been dug up without the knowledge of the followers of the Swami.

Superintendent Bhatkal is investing the matter.

KILLED BY BUS ON WAY HOME FROM CHURCH

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

"Shock following multiple injuries due to her having been accidentally knocked down by a B. E. S. & T. but at Colaba Causeway."

This was the verdict recorded by the City Coroner at the inquest, to-day, on the body of Marina Pinto, a four-year-old girl of Colaba, who died in the E. G. Hospital on Sunday.

Evidence showed that the deceased along with her parents was returning after Mass in Wodehouse Church when she was knocked down by the bus.

SWOOP ON ALLEGED COUNTERFEITER?

The Lamington Road Police on Saturday morning arrested one Abdul Rahiman Allabux Bale on a charge of counterfeiting two anna nickel coins.

The accused was placed to-day before Mr. K. J. Khambata, Presidency Magistrate of Girgaum Police Court and was ordered to be released on bail till March 11.

FOR PLEADING MUSLIM CAUSE IN RIOTS

Clerks Conspire To Take Vengeance, Alleges Chiplun Lawyer

(From Our Correspondent)

THANA, Feb 21

The trial of Mr. A. S. Nimbkar, a Chiplun pleader, on charges of fabricating a false evidence, forgery, etc., going on for the last four days before Mr. K. Phadkar, Additional Sessions Judge, Thana has reached its final stages. After Mr. H. S. Patil, Subordinate Judge, Chiplun and a few other witnesses were examined by the prosecution, the accused gave his written statement.

He pleaded that he was innocent, that it is false to say that he altered the dates on the suit and Darkhast registers as well as on the copy of the decree. He further stated that the Court clerks, section-writers and some pleaders' clerks who have figured as prosecution witnesses, have conspired against him and made his clerk a cat's paw. These persons, the accused stated, bear a grudge against him for his accepting the Vakalatnama on behalf of Muslims in cases which arose out of the Hindu-Muslim riots at Chiplun in 1936.

Arguments will be addressed in the 25th instant.

Mr. M. V. Hegde, Public Prosecutor, Thana, appeared for the Crown and Mr. W. A Rege instructed by Mr. P. V. Joshi is defending the accused.

The Court room is seen crowded with a large number of members of the Bar and the public.

NO CONFIDENCE IN M. L. SHAH

Exchange Of Blows At Karachi Students' Meeting

KARACHI, Feb 24.

Mr. M. L. Shah, General Secretary of the All-India Students' Federation, and Mr. Ansar Harvani, President of the U. P. Students' Federation, who arrived here to organise the Students' Federation, held a meeting at the Artillery Maidan last evening, which, however, was captured by the members of the Sind Provincial Students' Federation after a scuffle and exchange of blows.

The members of the Provincial Federation thereafter passed a resolution unanimously expressing no-confidence in Mr. Shah and condemning his disruptive activities". They further adopted a resolution expressing confidence in the All-India Students' Federation whose General Secretary is, according to them, Mr. M. Farooqui.

Similar resolutions were also passed by the students of the D. J. Sind College Hostel, Sevakunj and Muslim Students' Unions.—United Press.

Mukerjee To Preside Over Minorities' Conference

LAHORE, Feb. 24.

Dr. Shyamprashad Mukerjee, Working President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, is arriving here on March 1 to preside over the Punjab Frontier and Sind Minorities Conference, which will be held on March 1.

Dr. Naidu, Secretary of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, is also expected to attend. About 200 delegates from the three provinces will participate in the deliberations of the Conference.—A. P.

Jubbulpore Sweepers Threaten Strike

NAGPUR, Feb. 24.

The Municipal Workers' Union, Jubbulpore, has given notice that unless the grievances of sweepers are removed, they will resort to strike from Wednesday next.—United Press.

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On The Air

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 26.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

6 p.m. For women. 5-45 Benazir Bai. 6-15 V. A. Kagalkar: Vocal music. 6-30 The Savage Hits. 2: Talk in Hindustani. 6-45 For villagers only 7-45 Benazir Bai. 8 Vilayat Khan. 8-20 It has happened, or Manohar: Bhajan. 8-25 Music from the Mountains: Delhi Radio Orchestra. 8-45 Ishrat Begam. 9-45 V. A Kagalkar: Vocal music. 10-5 Geet and Ghazal. 10-25 Thumri aur Dadra.

Bombay I—Programme

344 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 a.m. V U. B. Orchestra. 8-5 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Amanat Ali. 8-40 News in Hindustani. 8-50 News in English. 9 Bismillah and Party: Shahnai recital. 9-20 Sarat Khan. 9-35 Shamala Mazgaonker. 9-55 Lawni Dhun by A I R Sextet. 12-30 p.m. Sentimental songs. 12-45 Highbrow Hits. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Straight from the Screen. 1-20 Mutual Understanding. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 Lunch hour music. 4-15 School Broadcast. 6 Tomorrow. 5-5 G. S. Yellapurkar. 5-25 News in Marathi. 5-30 News in Gujarati. 5-35 Allah Rakha. 5-50 Ish-Stuti. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Shamala Mazgaonker. 6-35 Bismillah and Party: Shahnai recital. 6-50 Gujarati Ghazal, 7 War Diary: Talk in Hindustani. 7-15 Twilight Tunes. 7-25 Talk of the Town. 7-50 Sadat Khan. 7-45 A I R Chorus. 7-55 News in Marathi. 8-10 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Topic of the day. 8-30 War and Our Industries, 3: Talk. 8-45 Sound-News. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C news relay. 10 Shamala Mazgaonkar. 10-15 Bismillah and Party: Shahnai recital. 10-30 Amanat Ali.

Bombay II—Programme

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

8 to 8-5 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 8-5 Devaradhana. 8-15 Thumri on Sarinda. 8-25 to 8-40 As in Bombay 1. 8-40 Amanat Ali. 8-50 Ek Ghazal. 9 to 10 As in Bombay 1.

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

12-30 to 12-57 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 12-57 Sangit Karwat. 1 to 1-30 As in Bombay 1. 1-30 Musical interlude. 1-35 to 2-25 As in Bombay 1.

51.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

4-15 to 5-25 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 5-25 Nagottamdas and Saraf: Sarangi and Violin. 5-35 to 6 As in Bombay 1. 6 Gauri on Jaltarang. 6-10 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1. 7-15 Interval.

89.15 metres (3,365 kc/s)

7-30 Commercial news 7-45 to 7-55 As in Bombay 1. 7-55 Amanat Ali. 8-25 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 The Bombay Radio Orchestra. 9-10 Sadat Khan. 9-20 Shamala Mazgaonker. 9-30 Maneck Bhagat: Pianoforte. 9-45 Gr: Symphony Orchestra. 9-50 Hilde Feldberg: Soprano. 10 Mehli Mehta and his Tango Valse Orchestra.

Calcutta I—Programme

(Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time).

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)

5 p.m. Ashalata Roy. 5-20 Prabhu Narayan Pathak. 5-30 Karuna Mukerjee. 5-50 Prabhu Narayan Pathak. 6-5 For the rural and industrial areas. 7 Mushtaq Ali Khan: Sitar recital. 7-15 Sachin Deb Burman. 7-30 Anil Das. 7-45 Mustaq Ali Khan: Sitar. 8 Nalini Sarcar: Humorous song. 8-10 N. N. Mozumdar: Clarionet. 9 The Future of Democracy: Talk. 10 The Melody Makers.

Hyderabad Programme

411 metres (730 kc/s)

7-30 to 7-45 p.m. For children. Radio set—A talk by Mr. Syed Muzaffar Ali. Sayings—A talk. 7-45 Near East (Series No. 4) Egypt—A talk by Dr. Rahatullah Khan.

B. B. C. Programme

(W.L. 5-50 a.m. to 10-5 31.55m. and 49.10m. 6 p.m. to 8-15 25.53m. and 7-30 to 10 31.55m. and 49.10m.)

16-25 Programme. 16-30 News. 16-45 From Old Country: By R. Donat. 17-00 C. Levis Carries on. 17-30 Selections from Turandot. B. B. C. Band. 17-45 General Release with Helen Crerar: Three in Harmony: Donald Egge and Charles Groves, Two Piano, B.B. C. Chorus and Orch. 18-30 News. 18-45 Questions of Hour. 19-15 L. Bridgewater, Quintet. 19-25 Programme. 19-30 Weekly Letter: By W. Holmes (19-30 to 20-00 Hind. Prog. on GSP and GRU—News and programme). 19-45 Feature: Everest. 20-00 Hind. Programme on GSP and GRU—Prog. for English-speaking listeners. 20-30 London Letter: By Sir F. Whyte. 20-45 (Music of Br.) Swansea and Dist. 21-00 B. B. C. Band. 21-30 News. 21-45 Questions of Hour.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

G. I. P. Railway.

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Madras Mail	6 00	22 00
Peshawar Express	6-15	22-45
Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur)	8-55	18-10
Calcutta Mail (via Chheoki)	9-30	20-15
Madras Express	10 15	14 30
Poona Mail	10 30	17 30
Punjab Mail	12 30	17 40
Nagpur Express	15-00	21-00
Poona Express	19 30	08 05
Allahabad Express	20 25	07 00
Poona Fast Passenger	21 45	12 10

B. B. & C. I. Railway.

(Arrivals at and Departures from Bombay Central.)

	Arr. H.M.	Dep H.M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5 35	13 05
Delhi Express	6 00	22 15
Gujarat Mail	6 45	22 05
Kathiawar Mail	7 25	21 35
Frontier Mail	8 15	21 15
		(Mon) (Sat)
The Flying Ranee, Bulsar	*9 15	15 25
The Flying Ranee, Surat	*9 48	1o 10
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Monday)	10 58	00 00
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Saturday)	00 00	18 05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14 15	22 30
Kathiawar Express	15 05	8 45
Baroda Passenger	20 48	9 00

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, these trains will run on Tuesday.

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay, Feb 25

Castorseeds May—			
Opening	Rs.	30	7 0
Highest		30	12 0
Lowest		30	6 0
Closing		30	12 0
Groundnuts February—			
Opening		26	1 0
Highest		26	1 0
Lowest		26	1 0
Closing		26	1 0
Cottonseeds May—			
Opening		18	15 0
Highest		19	1 9
Lowest		18	14 6
Closing		18	15 6
Groundnuts May—			
Opening		26	6 6
Highest		26	6 6
Lowest		26	5 0
Closing		26	5 6

Speculative Buying In New Crop On N. Y. Cotton Exchange

BELIEF OF NO RADICAL CHANGE IN FARM PROGRAMME

Spot Houses Buy Near Months

Bombay, Feb 25

On Monday, the New York cotton market was very steady on trade demand and speculative buying. There were small offerings and distant months recorded a sharp rise.

The market was influenced by firmness of other markets and on the growing belief that no radical changes in the 1941 farm programme are contemplated.

This belief induced increased buying in new crop months which advanced about 14 points. We often pointed out relative cheapness of distant months and the Government stock being now about 11 million bales, can think of any drastic change in the Farm programme. The European war has reduced export demand and at the moment the administration is planning for reductions in crops. Beyond that there cannot be any revision of price prospects.

NEW YORK MARKET

The New York cotton market opened 5 points up with March 10.35 and declined to 10.32 which was the lowest level. Later on there was active speculative and trade buying and the market closed at a net rise of 4 to 14 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 4 points at 10.90c. per lb.

WEEKLY REVIEW

The market firmed despite tension in the Far East and Balkans. Unofficial Washington advices are that important changes in the farm programme are unlikely until 1942. Navicerts are reported to have granted shipment of 4,000 bales to Switzerland. Cotton goods firm with moderate business chiefly industrial constructions. Belated March covering and firmness of spots are expected to cause an irregular uptrend.

LOAN STOCKS

The Commodity Credit Corporation reports cotton loan pledges totalled 3,305,000 bales, 21,000 bales increase and aggregate repossessions of 184,000 bales. It is believed that some of the repossessed cotton is offering at current favourable price but there is renewed talk of eventual scarcity of desirable grades unless there are substantial repossessions.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was also very steady with increased buying in distant months. The market closed at a net rise of 5 to 12 months. Spot cotton prices advanced 6 points at 10.39c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a decline of one point with March 8.25. The market was narrow with trade calling and long liquidation. Weekly official cotton values were 8.25 for Americans and Egyptians were unchanged. There was moderate hedging against controller's fixation. The market closed at a decline of 3 points. Middling American Spot cotton prices declined 2 points at 8.54d. per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Egyptian cotton market was quietly steady. Business was restricted and both Uppers and Gizas closed unchanged.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York March highest (2-2 p.m.)	10.39+09
New York March lowest (10-58 a.m.)	10.32+02
Liverpool March highest	8.28+01
Liverpool March lowest	8.24—03

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co Ltd have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

New York: Market advanced on trade demand and speculative buying. Small offerings.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Feb 24

March	10.34+04
May	10.34+06
July	10.28+13
October	9.91+14
December	9.89+13
January	9.87+14
Middling Spot	10.90+04

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, Feb 24

March	10.43+05
May	10.39+06
July	10.31+10
October	9.94+11
December	9.91+10
January	9.88+12
Middling Spot	10.39

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Feb 24

11 a.m ranges Noon call

March	10.32	10.33
May	10.29	10.31

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, Feb 24

Day's receipts at all U S Ports	14,000 bales
Day's exports to Great Britain	nil
Day's exports to the Continent	nil
Day's exports to China and Japan	nil

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, Feb 24

March	8.24—03
May	8.25—03
July	8.26—03
October	8.20—03
December	8.17—03
Middling Spot	8.54—02

11 A.M. QUOTATIONS

March	8.26

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Feb 25

Following a rise of 4 points in New York cotton futures, the local market was expected to open at Rs. 185/8 for Broach A/M delivery and the trading commenced as expected. At the opening there was steady buying and prices hardened to Rs. 186/4 but at this level there appeared increased liquidation and prices reacted to Rs. 185/4. The market steadied at this level with moderate business passing and operators are inclined to await developments.

The All-India Cotton Crop estimate was 22,775,000 acres or 9 per cent increase and production 56,38,000 bales or 15 per cent more. In the local market prices declined from Rs. 186 to Rs. 185/8 after the report. Liverpool market opened at a rise of 4 points but in the local market there was increased selling and Broach A/M declined to Rs. 184/8. The market steadied at this level and finally closed at 5 p.m. as under:

F G M G BROACH—			
April/May	Rs.	184	8 0
July/August		187	8 0
FINE M G OOMRA—			
March		146	4 0
May		148	8 0
July		150	12 0
F G M G BENGAL—			
March		118	12 0
May		120	0 0

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, Feb 25

	Extra Sprfine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M G Bengal U P	124	122	120	118	
M G Punjab	124	122	120	118	
M G Rajputana	131	129	127	125	
M G Oomra No. 3	154	151	148	145	
M G C P No. 1	176	173	170	167	
M G C P No. 2	161	158	155	152	

London, Feb 24

Balkan uncertainties still restricted enterprise and prices occasionally slipped away but the undertone was sound. Industrials displayed some irregularity while Home Rails after meeting early buying reacted on profit-taking. Oils occasionally weakened. Among foreign bonds South Americans eased and both Belgian and Spanish 4 per cent lost ground.

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, Feb 25

Approx. quotations Ready Delivery contract	
Bengal Fine	120-23
Berar	142-49
C. P. 1	170-74
C. P. 2	152-57
Khandesh	122-29
Mugiai	133-35
Broach	
Punjab S.G. 289F	311-16
Punjab R.G. 289F	286-91
Punjab R.G. 4F	226-31

	Feb.	Mar.
	+20	+10

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay, Feb 25

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY OF INDIAN COTTON

Since 1st September

In full-pressed bales

	22-2-41.	This year	Last year
Khandesh	2,449	83,111	48,294
Central India	3,817	89,421	65,278
Barsi and Nagar	624	78,013	101,621
Hyderabad/Gaorani	254	26,333	40,147
Berar	3,172	254,578	238,857
Central Provinces	1 761	52,276	56,757
Total Oomras	12,077	583,732	550,954
Dholeras	495	41,687	36,979
N W Provinces	.....	1,065	21,751
Rajputana	.....	4,224	24,004
Sind-Punjab	4,022	339,947	284,559
Broach	552	20,559	114,087
Coompta & Dharwar	383	30,282	14,734
Westerns-Northerns	.....	30,901	16,475
Cocoanada	.....	236	50
Tinnevelly & Cambodia	.....	522	1,309
Total	17,529	1.063,148	1,064,902
Arrived by road to 20th February 1941	.....	157,250	194,358

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES.

F P Bales	1940-41	1939-40
Receipts to date 24-2-41	2889000	6351000
Receipts yesterday 24-2-41	14000	33000
Export to date 24-2-41	716000	4799000
Stock at Ports 21-2-41	3491000	2978000
Stock at Interior Towns 21-2-41	3171000	2840000
Stock at Liverpool 21-2-41	.....	.....
Visible Supply 21-2-41	.....	.....
Quantity in sight 21-2-41	8736000	11335000
Quantity out of sight 21-2-41	.....	.....

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, Feb 25

Yesterday London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 1/4 at New York.

London Spot silver price improved 1/16d at 23 7/16d. and forward quotation was also raised 1/16d. at 23 3/16d. There was small trade demand and the market was featureless. New York Spot silver was unchanged at 34 3/4 cents and Shanghai T T on London was quoted 3 3/8. London Bombay Spot silver parity was Rs. 63-8-0 and forward parity was Rs. 62/5/9. The local market was firm with active general buying in gold which advanced to Rs. 43-7-0. Silver market was neglected with a small turnover It appears that there is considerable speculative buying in gold and option sellers were forced to cover up. Quotations were as under:—

GOLD

Ready	Rs.	43	5 0
Fagan		43	5 0
Sovereigns		29	4 0

SILVER.

Ready		63	0 0
Fagan		62	13 0

LONDON SILVER

London, Feb 24

Spot	23 7/16
Forward	23 3/8

LONDON GOLD

London, Feb 24

Gold Bars fine per oz	£8-8-0

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay, Feb 25

Yellow metal sheets	Rs.	70	0 0
Copper sheets		79	8 0

Tone:—Steady.

COTTON PARITY

Broach A/M below Liverpool May penny points at exchange 1/6	399
Broach J/A below Liverpool July penny points at exchange 1/6	393
Broach A/M below New York May cent points at exchange 331	319
Broach J/A below New York July cent points at exchange 331	301

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, Feb 22

Broach A/M highest 185 1/2 lowest 182 3/4 closing 185

Broach J/A highest 188 3/4 lowest 185 3/4 closing 188 1/4

Oomra March highest 147 lowest 143 1/2 closing 146 1/2

Oomra May highest 149 lowest 145 3/4 closing 148 3/4

Oomra July highest 151 1/4 lowest 148 closing 150 3/4

Bengal March highest 120 1/2 lowest 118 closing 120

Bengal May highest 121 1/2 lowest 119 closing 121 1/4

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Liverpool, Feb 24

UPPERS:—	
Spot	11.15+2
March	10.42—0
May	10.43—0
July	10.44—0
November	10.39—0
GIZA NO. 2:—	
Spot	12.09+1
March	11.08—0
May	11.07—0
July	11.35—0
November	11.05 0

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS.

Bombay, Feb 25

Wheat May	0	4	3
Linseed May	0	5	9
Groundnut May	1	12	0
Castorseed May	2	2	0
Cottonseed May	0	15	0
Silver 1st settlement	0	12	0
Silver 2nd settlement	1	3	0
Gold 1st settlement	0	12	0
Gold 2nd settlement	1	0	0

BANKERS' CLEARING

Cheques delivered hrough the Bombay Bankers Clearing House during the week ending 21-2-1941, were as under:—

Number of cheques—1,24,534.

Amount of cheques—Rs. 16,20,91,064/12/3.

Share Bazar Displays Steady Tone

RESTRICTED TURNOVER AND NARROW FLUCTUATIONS

Operators Await Budget Proposals

Bombay, Feb 25

The local share bazar was quietly steady with a restricted turnover and prices fluctuated within a narrow range. There was no disposition to enter into fresh risks before the Central Budget which will be out this week. Moreover it being now the end of the month, the market was inclined to even up open business.

Wall Street trend was indecisive on Monday and prices fell to the lowest point since last August. The session closed firm. Scattered leaders managed to fraction up but many issues were unchanged, with the for

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE.

Bombay Dycing (1092/8) 1095 1090 1091 1086 1091

Century (381) 381 382 377 379 378

Central India (307) 309 310 306 307 306

Kohinoor (419) 420 419 420 417 418

New Great (432) 430 428 429 428

Simplex (108) 108/8 107/8

Swadeshi (281) 282 284 282 283 281/8

Associated Cement (143/4) 143/4 142/12

Andhra (1845) 1845

Tram Ord (136) 136

Tata Hydro (187) 184

Tata Power (1650) 1640 1630 1632

T Steel Defd (1956/4) 1962 1965 1962 1967 1957 1961

T Steel Ord (381/8) 382 384 382 383

Tata Steel 2nd Pref (148/4) 148/4

Bellapur (210/8) 210

B Steam (320) 320

B Burma (535) 542 537 541

sign situation still too unsettled to encourage speculative forces. U. S Steel shares closed 7/8 up at 58 and Anaconda Copper Mining shares gained 1/4 at 23 5/8 dollars.

The local market is acting cautiously watching war developments but the underlying situation remains healthy. There is absence of speculative weak interest in the market which is bound to keep the price structure stable and investment support remains moderate. The market look grinding around present level but in case if prices decline after the Budget, there will be robust demand which will push up prices in the run.

Tata Steel Defds opened to-day at Rs. 1962 and improved to Rs. 1967. At this level the demand was satisfied and prices eased off to Rs. 1955 under scattered realising but again steadied at Rs. 1961. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 382 and improved to Rs. 384 but declined to Rs. 382. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1095 and after declining to Rs. 1086 rallied to Rs. 1090. The tone of the market was steady and the session was featureless.

TEXTILE SHARES

Bombay, Feb. 25.

100 Ahm. Advance	.....	272	8
250 BOMBAY DYEING	.....	1091	4
100 CENTURY	.....	378	8
100 CENTRAL INDIA	.....	306	8
100 COLABA	.....	173	8
100 Cooria	.....	105	0
250 David	.....	30	0
250 Dawn	.....	342	8
1 E. D. Sassoon Def.	.....	0	8 9
100 FINLAY	.....	182	8
100 GOKAK	.....	210	0
1000 Hindustan	.....	1925	0
100 Indore	.....	57	0
100 Khatau	.....	149	6
1 00 KOHINOOR	.....	418	0
250 LAXMI	.....	538	2
100 MORARJI	.....	227	0
250 Model	.....	78	8
50 MYSORE X.D.	.....	110	0
200 NEW GREAT	.....	428	0
100 Oosmanshahi	.....	55	0
100 Phoenix	.....	266	0
25 Sassoon Silk	.....	85	8
1000 Sholapur	.....	2790	0
50 SIMPLEX	.....	107	8
100 SWADESHI	.....	281	8
100 SWAN	.....	176	8
500 Vishnu	.....	1285	0
1000 Western	.....	1080	0
BANKS			
50-100 BARODA	.....	109	0
25-50 CENTRAL	.....	43	8
500 IMPERIAL	.....	1561	4
125-500 Imp. Contrys.	.....	385	10
50-100 India XD.	.....	142-12	
100 RESERVE BANK	.....	105	4
5 UNION	.....	6	10
CEMENTS			
100 ASSOCIATED	.....	142	12
INSURANCE			
100 Empire	.....	633	12
15-100 JUPITER	.....	13	8
20 Mercantile	.....	64	12
15-75 NEW INDIA	.....	41	2
200 Oriental	.....	3950	0
10-50 Vulcan	.....	8	3
ELECTRIC			
100 AHMD. OLD X.D.	.....	176	14
1000 ANDHRA VALLEY	.....	1845	0
10 AJMER	.....	12	3
50 BOMBAY TRAM	.....	136	0
100 Bombay Suburban	.....	185	0
10 Broach	.....	14	0
100 Karachi	.....	213	12
100 Poona	.....	215	0
100 Surat	.....	180	0
100 TATA HYDRO	.....	187	0
1000 TATA POWER	...	1632	8
RAILWAYS			
500 Ahmedabad Prantij	...	916	4
100 C. Province	.....	105	0
100 Dhond Baramati	.....	104	4
100 Gujarat X.D.	.....	103	4
100 Mandra Bhon	.....	103	8
100 Pachora Jamner	.....	63	8
100 Sara Sirajgunj	.....	105	0
500 Tapti Valley	.....	662	8
MININGS			
9 Burma Corporation	.....	5	3
8sh. Indian Copper	.....	2	1
10 Indian Iron and Steel	.....	31	2
10 SHIVRAJPUR	.....	38	4
30 TATA STEEL DEF	.....	1961	4
75 TATA STEEL ORD	.....	383	0
10 Steel Corporation	.....	19	2
MISCELLANEOUS			
100 ALCOCK	.....	572	8
10 Air Service	.....	3	4
50 BELAPUR SUGAR	...	210	0
200 Bombay Safe Dep	N	590	0
250 BOMBAY STEAM	.....	320	0
125 B. BURMA	.....	541	4
50 B. Burma Cont.	.....	184	6
8sh. Br. B. Petrol	.....	3	5
50 BOMBAY TELEPHONE	...	88	0
100 IND. BLEACHING	.....	128	0
50 Ind. Invest Trust	.....	46	12
100 Ind Radio Def	.....	513	12
100 Indian Radio Ord.	.....	507	8
100 Port Canning	.....	89	0
30 PREMIER Con	.....	96	0
15 SCINDIA	.....	21	1
25 Tata Oil	.....	42	0
100 Wimco	.....	200	8
PREFERENCE			
7 p.c. Andhra Valley	.....	1535	0
6 p.c. Bombay Steam	.....	310	0
7 p.c. Bom. Tram (T.F.) X.D.	...	75	3
5 p.c. Central India (T.F.)	.....	631	4
6 1/4 p.c. Prem Const. 1st	.....	118	8
6 1/4 p.c. Prem Const. 2nd	.....	110	8
7 p.c. Tata Hydro	.....	153	2
7 1/2 p.c. Tata Power	.....	1580	0
6 p.c. Tata Steel 1st	.....	212	8
7 1/2 p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	.....	148	4
7 p.c. Vishnu	.....	741	4
DEBENTURES			
3 3/4 p.c. Andhra Valley	.....	101	4
6 p.c Andhra Valley	.....	101	4
4 p.c. Bom. Telephone	...	51	8
5 p.c. Sholapur	...	76	4
5 p.c. Tata Hydro	.....	100	4

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, Feb. 25.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 Loan 96-14

3 1/2 per cent G P Notes 95

3 per cent 1941 Bonds 100-12

3 per cent 1951/54 Bonds 99

3 per cent 1963/65 Loan 94-4

3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 102-2

4 per cent 1960/70 Loan 108-1

4 per cent 1943 Bonds 104-8

3 per cent War Bonds 100-12

4 1/2 per cent 1955/65 Loan 113-4

TAX FREE LOANS.

5 per cent 1945/55 Loan 112-1

4 per cent 1953/65 Mysore 115-8

5 per cent 1955 Mysore 125

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1947 108-0

4 per cent M Deb 1974 107-12

5 per cent M Deb 1959 116

6 per cent M Deb 1954 128

6 per cent K P T 1956 128

Tone: Quietly steady.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, Feb 25

LONDON:—

B C. RATES:—

T T D D 1/5 15/16 to 23rd August

Bank's selling T T D D 1/5 31/32 to 23rd Aug.

Bank's buying T T 1/6 1/32 to 23rd Aug.

Bank's buying D D 1/6 3/32 One month

Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 7/32 One month

Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 1/4 two months

NEW YORK:—

Bank's selling T T 332 3/4

Bank's buying T T 329 3/4

Bank's buying D D 328

JAPAN:—

Bank's selling T T 81 1/4 nominal.

Bank's buying T T 77 nominal

Bank's buying 60 days 76 1/4 nominal

JAVA:—

Bank's selling D D 65 3/4

HONGKONG:—

Bank's selling D D 85 1/4

SHANGHAI—

Bank's selling D D 21 3/4

SINGAPORE:—

Bank's selling D D 157 3/4

CROSS RATES:—

Hongkong London 1/3 1/32 25th inst.

Shanghai London 0/3 5/8 25th inst.

New York London 4.03 1/4 24th inst.

London Java 7.58/62 24th inst.

London New York 4.02 1/2—3 1/2 24th inst

London Switzerland 17.30/40 24th inst.

London Stockholm 16.85/95 24th inst.

London Japan 1/2 1/2 24th inst.

London Canada 4.43/47 24th inst.

Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Quiet near.

Steady forward.

Gold £8-8-0 24th inst.

Silver London Ready 23 7/16 24th inst.

Silver London Forward 23 3/8 24th inst.

Silver New York Ready 34 3/4 21st inst.

London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent 24th inst.

London Discounts 6 months 1 1/4 per cent 24th inst.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.

Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.

Money:—Call amendable.

3 months 1/2 per cent

6 months 3/4 per cent

Tone: Very easy

LONDON SEEDS

London, Feb 24

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe	20/6
Wheat Barletta Russo	not quoted
Wheat South Australian	26/6

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Feb 25

Sentiment was inclined to be bullish in to-day's session with Steel shares receiving support at better rates. Tata Deferreds opened somewhat higher at 1900 and after some time improved to 1915 but closed at 1910. Tata Ordinaries similarly opened better at 376 and were well maintained around that level. Textiles evinced rather a quietly steady tone with Bombay Dyeings being quoted around 1050. Indian Irons stood around 31-2.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange, to-day:—

Tata Deferreds (1892-8) 1900 1897-8 1915 1907-8 1910

Tata Ordinaries (374-8) 376 75-8 77 76

Tata Ordinary 376; Tata Deferred 1910; Indian Iron 31/2; Bombay Dyeing 1045; Century 365; Central India 295; Kohinoor 410; Associated Cement 139/8; Bombay Burma 517/8; Scindia Steam 21/2; Tata Hydro 181/4, Reserve Bank 105/4; Imperial Bank F P 1561/4; Central Bank 43/8; Bank of India 142/12; 3 1/2 per cent Paper 95/2.

DELIVERY OF SHARES

Following Delivery Slips have been issued to-day:—

Tata Deferreds 24; Tata Ordinaries 95; Indian Irons 300; Bengal Steel Corporations 900; Bombay Dyeings 6; Associated Cements 135.

WALL-STREET MARKET.

New York, Feb 24

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following report showing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:—

	Dollars
Elec. Pow and Lt 5 per cent Pfd	29
Elec Bond and Share Common	3 1/4
Elec Bond and Share dol 5 Pfd	54
Int Tel and Tel 1952	37 3/4
American Tel and Tel	160
Western Union Telegraph	20 1/8
Union Pacific	77 3/4
Great Northern Pfd	25
New York Central R R	12 5/8
Union Carbon and Carbide	64
Texas Corporation	35 3/4
Socony	8 5/8
Consolidated Oil	5 3/8
Standard Oil of N J	36
United States Steel	58
Bethlehem Steel	78 1/8
Crucible Steel	40 3/8
Crucible Steel Pfd	86 1/2
Alleghany Ludlum Steel	20 7/8
Republic Steel	18 7/8
Anaconda Copper Mining	23 5/8
Kennecott Copper	33 1/4
General Motors	42 3/4
Chrysler Motors	65 1/4
Lockheed	23
Sears Roebuck	71 3/4
Du Pont	146
Chase National Bank	30 1/4
National City Bank of N. Y.	26 1/4

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay, Feb 25

Fine White Java sugar per cwt:—

Shipment December Rs. 95-6-0 F B H

Shipment March Rs. 9-5-0 F B H

Indian sugars ready:—

Ready (ordinary) Rs. 14-2-0 to 14-7-0

Ready (large grain) Rs. 14-8-0 to 15-9-0

Tone:—Steady.

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NEW YORK COTTON EIGHT POINTS UP

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

MARCH 1941.
New York: Feb. 25.

Previous closing	10.34
To-day's opening	10.34
Difference	+5
To-day's closing	10.42
Difference	+8

BROACH EXPECTATION

Broach April/May	Rs. 185/8
Broach July/August	Rs. 188/8

LIVERPOOL COTTON

MARCH 1941.
Liverpool: Feb. 25.

Previous closing	8.24
To-day's opening	8.28
Difference	+4
To-day's closing	8.28
Difference	+4

NEW YORK COTTON

New York: Feb. 25.

New York cotton exhibited brighter sentiment in sympathy with the strength of Securities, but Balkan uncertainties continued to hamper operations.

Trading in March began at 10.35, i.e. 5 points higher than the last closing. Prices advanced on improved trade demand and outside buying, but the subsequent trading became somewhat colourless

The following are to-day's opening ranges in New York cotton:—

March (10.35/35) 10.39/39
May (10.31/31) 10.37/37
July (10.20/20) 10.29/29

The following are opening rates on Liverpool cotton market:—

American March (8.27) 8.28
American May (8.28) 8.29
Egyptian Giza March (11.09) 11.09
Egyptian Giza May (11.08) 11.08

LONDON COMMODITIES

London: Feb. 25

Castorseeds January February unquoted
Linseed Bombay Calcutta February March (£18 9/16 quoted) £18 9/16
Linseed La Plata March (£11 5/16 quoted) £11 5/16 quoted
Groundnuts Coromandal February March (£17 1/4 quoted) £17 1/4

JUTES

Dundee (£43) £43
Lightning (£40) £40

RUBBER

Spot (13d paid and buyers) 13 1/8d paid and buyers

EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York: Feb. 25.

Previous closing	4.03 1/4
To-day's opening	4.03 1/2

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK
London: Feb. 25

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS
London: Feb. 25

T. T. London on Paris not quoted

LONDON SILVER CABLE

London: Feb. 25

The following cable was received from London:—

Market quiet and steady.

LONDON SILVER
London: Feb. 25

Spot (23 7/16d) 23 7/16d nil
Forward (23 3/8d) 23 3/8d nil.

LONDON GOLD
London: Feb. 25

London Gold (£8-8-0) £8 8 0

LONDON EXCHANGES

London: Feb. 25

London Exchange opened with the sterling dollar at 4.02.50 to 4.03.50 which is officially fixed rate.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay 1/6 1/8
Paris on Bombay not quoted
New York on Milan not quoted
New York on Bombay (30.35) 30.35
London on Shanghai (0-3 11/32 to 0-3 27/32) 0-3 9/32 to 0-3 5/8
London on Kobe (1-2 to 1-2 1/2) 1-2 to 1-2 1/2

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent.
4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent
6 months (1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent

BULLION AND SEEDS

Bombay: Feb. 25.

There was no trading during the night session.

Forward January/March (13 1/8d paid and value) 13 1/4d paid and sellers.

LONDON METALS

Tin (£279 buyers; £280 sellers. Easier). £276 buyers; £276 1/2 sellers. Easier.
Electrolytic Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

KARACHI PRODUCE MARKET

Karachi: Feb. 25.

To-day's closing quotations:—

Cotton Sind—	
March	12 9 9
May	13 0 3
Punjab—	
March	12 5 6
May	12 7 3
American—	
March	22 6 0
May	22 2 0
Tone:—Steady.	
Wheat—	
March	27 13 9
July	26 11 0
Tone:—Quiet.	
Gram—	
July	23 6 9
Toria—	
February	32 13 0
March	33 0 0
May	33 10 0
Cottonseed—	
March	14 12 6
July	15 3 6

RUBBER EXPORT QUOTA

London: Feb. 25.

The International Rubber Regulations Committee to-day (Tuesday) fixed the following percentage of basic quotas for 1941 as the permissible exportable amount:—

For April/May/June 100 per cent—Reuter.

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS.

HEDGE CONTRACT RATES
Bombay: Feb. 25.

Yarn No.	February	April	June
6 1/2s.	126	127	128
10 1/2s.	148	147	147
20 1/2s.	188	191 1/2	194½
40s	280	284	285

To-day Amavas—Matinee at 1-30 p.m.

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3 1/2 P.C. STERLING LOAN

London: Feb. 25

3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £99

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London: Feb. 25

London Stock Exchange was very quiet.

AUSTRALIAN LOANS
London: Feb. 25

5 per cent 1958/68 (£103 7/8) £103 3/4

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£77 1/2) £77 1/2
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£103 ex div) £102 7/8
2 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£99 1/8) £99 1/8
4 per cent Funding Loan (£113 5/8) £113 1/2
3 1/2 per cent War Loans (£103 1/2) £103 1/2
New War Loan (£101 1/4) £101 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Victory Bonds (£110 7/8) £110 7/8

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (10-9) 10-9
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (34-0) 34-0
Hydro Electric No dealings.
Electric Music Industry (7-6) 7-6
Princhin Johnson (18-6) 18-6
Imperial Chemicals (30-0) 29-10 1/2
Woolsworth New Ordinary (52 0) 51 4 1/2
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1939 (£46 1/2) £46
Dundee Rubber (32-7 1/2) 32-7 1/2
Unilever Ordinary (23-3) 23-0
Ford Motors (17-6) 17-7 1/2
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£54) £54
British American Tobacco Ordinary (88-9 ex-div) 88-9
Carreas 'A' (£3 7/8) £3 7/8
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (93-9) 93-9
P and O Def (20-4 1/2) 20-4 1/2
Distillers (62-6) 62-3
Bredfords Dye (3-6) 3-6
British Celanese (3-0) 3-0
J and P Coates Ordinary (29-0) 28-10 1/2
Courtaulds Ordinary (29-3) 29-3
Fine Cotton Spinners (3-0) 3-0
Vickers Limited Ordinary (14-9) 14-9
Inter Nickel Ordinary (dol 35 1/8) dol 35
Indian Iron (43-9) 43-9

TEA SHARES

Assam Company (18 3) 18-3
Donaro Tea (30-0) 30-0
Empire of India (21-10 1/2) 21-10 1/2

JUTE

Barnagore (£8) £8

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (14-10 1/2) 14-10 1/2
Gula Kelampong (15-9) 15-9
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (25-1 1/2) 24-10 1/2

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (20-7 1/2) 20-7 1/2
Burma Corporation (7-0) 7-0
Rio Tintos (£7 1/4) £7 1/4
East Rand Properties (41-3) 41-3
Rand Mines (£6 3/8) £6 3/8

MINE SHARES

Crown (£12) £12
Associated Portland Cement (61-10 1/2) 61-3
Trinidad Leasehold (60-0) 60-0
Sub Nigel (£7 1/4) £7 1/4
Spring Mines Split Shares (21-3) 20-7 1/2
Union Corporation (£6 7/8) £6 7/8

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (25-7 1/2) 25-7 1/2
Anglo India (34-4 1/2) 32-6
Burma Oil (51-3) 50-0
Mexican Eagle (7-7 1/2) 7-7 1/2
Shell Transport (40-7 1/2) 40-7 1/2
Royal Dutch (£18) £18

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary (£33 1/4 ex-div) £32 3/4
London Midland Ordinary (£12 1/8 ex-div) £11 7/8
London North Eastern Def (£1 3/4) £1 5/8
London Southern Def. (£9 1/8 ex-div) £9 7/8
London Transport 5 per cent (£118) £119
London Transport 'C' (£32 1/2 ex-div) £33

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York: Feb. 25.

General Motors dol 43 1/8
Anaconda Copper Mining not quoted.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

Quiet And Featureless

Calcutta: Feb. 25.

The Stock Exchange ruled quiet after the week-end, but the volume of business transacted was satisfactory. Coals, Jutes, Cottons and Teas continued steady and active, but speculative Engineering issues were a shade quieter. Government Securities were unchanged. Miscellaneous Industrials were also featureless.

The following are the closing quotations:—

Government Securities: 2 3/4 per cent loan 1948/52 96/14, 3 per cent loan 1963/65 94/7, 3 per cent loan 1946 101, 3 1/2 per cent Government Paper 94/13, 4 per cent loan 1943 104/8 small lot, 5 per cent 1945/55 111/14 small lot.

Banks: Reserve Bank 104 small odd lot.

Cottons: Basanti Cotton 3/2, Cawnpore Textiles 6/5, Kesoram ord 5/3, Pref 129/8, New Victoria ord 2nd Pref. 5/9

Coals: Amalgamated 27, Bengal 360, Bhalgora 5, Bokaro and Ramgur 14/8, Burra Dhemo 4/1, Central Kurkend 14/8, Dhemo Main 14/12, East Indian 16/12, Equitable 36/6, Hurriladih 12/12, Katras Jherriah 26/8 ex-div, Lakurka 9/8, Mundulpoor 10, Pench Valley 34, Singareni Collieries 10/8 small lot ct, Standard 20/4, West Jamuria 30/8 small odd lot.

Jutes: Adamjee Pref 153 small lots, Albion 201/8, Alliance 253/8, Anglo-India Pref 171, Bally Pref 159, Belvedere 376 small lot, Birla 25/8, Budge-Budge 348, Clive 21/12 small lots, Dalhousie Pref 174, Delta 379, Empire 23/12, Fort William 220/8, Ganges 240, Gourepore 660/8 small lot, Howrah 50/4, 'A' Pref. 162, India 288/8 small lot, Kamarhatty 460, Kankinarrah 370, Meghna 39/4, National 21/8, New Central 296, Pref. 174, Nuddea 65/8, Presidency 4/8, Reliance 54/8, Standard 268/8.

Minings: Burma Corpn 5/3 c div, Consolidated Tin 2/8, India Copper 2/1.

Eng. Companies: Burn and Co ord 381, 6 per cent Pref 149, 7 per cent Pref 170, Hukumchand Steel Defd 3/2, Indian Iron and Steel 30/13, Indian Steel and Wire Products ord 55/12, Steel Corpn ord 18/12, Pref. 115.

Miscellaneous: Sara Serajganj Rly 103 small odd lot, Dalmia Cement ord 11/7 small lot, Defd 2/11, Pref 111 small lots, Bengal Telephone 18/10, Pref 12. B I Corpn ord 4/9, Dunlop Rubber ord 40/4 small lots, Indian Rubber Monfg. 28/4, Tide Water Oil 15/4 ct small lot, Titaghur Paper Prefd ordy 5, Ordy 17/3, Midnapore Zemindary 72/8 small lot.

Sugar Shares: Balrampore 7/4, Murree Brewery 13/8.

Tea Shares: Dhelakhat 21/8, Dimakusi 27 small lot, Dufflaghur 13/12, East India 9/12, Ellen Barrie 263 small lots, Hantapara 344, Naga Hills 13, Tezpore 8/3.

Debentures: 5 per cent 1916/46 Calcutta Port Trust Debs 107/8, 6 per cent 1936/41 National Iron and Steel Debs 101/12, 5 per cent Tinnevelley Tuticorin Debs 99.—A P.

COLOMBO QUOTATIONS

Colombo: Feb. 25

Price of rubber in the local market today was 49 both sheet and crepe. Yesterday's closing was same.

Copra 35.00, Cocoanut oil F.O.B. 235.00 nominal.

Share Market:—Highforest 21, Mulhalkelle New Issue 2 1/4, Robgill Tea 12 1/2, Roeberry Tea 25, The Barton Ceylon Tea 0/47 1/2, Uplands Tea 11, Opalgalla Tea Rubber 5 1/4, Pelmadulla Valley Tea Rubber 12, Talangawella Rubber Tea 8 1/2, Greenwood Tea 5, Etambawela Rubber 0/70, Nikkala Rubber 5 3/4.

Commercial Companies: Ceylon Cold-Stores 15, Colombo Hotels 5 per cent 1st Mortgage Debs, 85 3/4.

HAPUR WHEAT MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Hapur, Feb 21

During the week under review wheat markets all over India remained very erratic. The easier tendency set in the last fortnight continued during the week for as was feared there was no improvement in the freight facilities at Karachi for which reason there were no exports and the millers continued to keep out of the market. For the first two days there was very little interest in the market but on Tuesday came the report from Karachi that a leading bull who is reported to have hoarded wheat to the extent of 1 1/2 lakh bags and suspended payment. This came as an unexpected bombshell on the market and operators started selling nervously thereby depressing the Karachi market to the extent of about Rs. 3 for the old crop and Rs. 1/6 for the new crop. Almost all the up-country markets who at present show keen sensibility to the positions at the ports declined precipitately. This take out and the decline, however greatly improved the technical position in many markets with the result that prices showed a slightly rising tendency but as was expected without a broader demand for shipments the advance could not be sustained. The under tone continues to be rather unsteady.

INTERIOR MARKETS

In the up-country markets particularly the Punjab the demand for ready wheat is very poor and the fact that Karachi is no longer an eager buyer has added to the nervousness of the stock holders. In the Punjab Calcutta showed very little interest so also in the U. P., although in the later exports began at a fair scale as soon as railway facilities were available. Yet another factor which is exercising a very depressive influence on the markets is the daily declining prices of all the food cereal other than rice. Gram prices are nearly /7/ and barley nearly 1/4 per maund lower than wheat. Bajra is till cheaper and is freely replacing wheat in the middle class families.

Oversea wheat markets have been slightly easier probably due to the good crop reports emanating from the U. S. A. and Argentina. Reports from Australia indicate that there has been a definite improvement in the crop prospects in most of the States. On the Chicago grain exchange, prices have lost a shade on growing uncertainties abroad, the current quotations being May 79 5/8c, July 75c and September 753/8 cents. In the North America crop conditions are reported to be fairly good but from south-west come the reports of heavy storms. Never the less no damages is yet reported.

In the Punjab slight showers were received yesterday and they being very useful for the standing crops, markets reacted quite bearishly. The current quotations in the important markets are:

Amritsar Har 2/12, Lyallpur Har 2/11/2, Okara Har 2/10/4, Jaronwalla Har 2/11/5, Lahore Chet 2/11/7, Muzaffarnagar Fagan 3/0/9, Aligarh Jeth 2/13/6, Hatras Jeth 3/0/8, Ghaziabad Jeth 2/13/10.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED

Bombay: Feb. 25.

B I S N Coy's American s s Mobile City of 3801 reg tons Capt Nils Jansson arrived from New York with general cargo.

SAILED

F F Campbell and Coy's American s s Pres Taylor of 5918 reg tons Capt W S Tyrrell sailed for Boston with passengers and general cargo.

IMPORTS

Bombay: Feb. 25.

987 packages auto and auto trusk parts, 233 pkgs paints, 1607 pkgs commercial and truck chassis (completely disassembled), 194 cases batteries, 85 drums thinners, 57 pkgs sulphur bitters, 75 c/s steel hinges, 231 pkgs machinery and parts, 84 c/s Listerine, 80 c/s phospho Lecithin, 336 dms camphor, 178 c/s printing paper, 38 pkgs brass rods, 54 bdls Angier's emulsion, 98 loose rubber tyres, 120 pcs auto wheels, 32 cyl anhydrous ammonia, 100 c/s bullock nails, 45 pails zinc dust, 78 H/hds leaf tobacco, 33 c/s lawn mowers, 64 bls ctn remnants and fents, 91 c/s tools, 945 dms dyestuffs, aniline colours, 148 c/s antiphlogestine, 200 c/s steel chains, 653 bags bolts and nuts, 286 pkgs medicines and drugs, 1118 bls wrapping paper, 43 c/s belt lacing, 31 c/s cinema carbons, 33 c/s electrodes, 43 boxes rubber hose, 75 ctns razor blades, 56 c/s iron wood screws, 187 c/s cotton cord twine, 80 c/s grape nuts, 233 c/s M S tees, 36 c/s tinned hams, 260 c/s welding rods, 43 pkgs perfumery materials, 1665 bdls steel angles, 260 pcs galvd steel plates, 200 boxes cadmium sulphide, 66 ctns solution of peroxide, 32 ctns cereals, 585 c/s wire nails, 67 c/s files, 41 c/s typewriters, 75 bls second-hand clothing, 25 c/s steel hinges, 283 pcs steel plates, 1013 bdls news boards, 216 ctns elect lighting fixtures, 79 ctns elect lighting bulbs, 34 ctns common glassware, 100 dms bichromate of soda granular, 233 dms bichromate of soda crystals, 51 c/s aluminium foils 50 bdls horse nails, 94 boxes iron screws, 68 c/s radio sets and parts, 44 casks potassium chrome alum, 500 carboys hydrogen peroxide, 725 ctns elect fans, 50 bdls Flit sprayers, 120 c/s Nujol.

EXPORTS

Bombay: Feb. 25.

26 husks ivory 8 Mahomed; 40 bls raw D/s goat skins D Abraham and Sons; 300 bls raw cotton Kotak and Co; 3250 bags grd nut oil cake expeller The Hindustan Vanaspati Mfg Co Ltd.

Poona Weather Report

Poona, Feb 25

Thundershowers occurred locally over the belt from East Gujarat to East Central Provinces. A few light showers are also reported from North-West Frontier.

The chief amounts of rainfall are:—Pachmarhi one inch; Jubbulpore and Malegaon three quarters; Bhopal, Hoshangabad and Pendra half; Khandwa quarter. Temperatures were generally above normal over the country except in the southern half of the Peninsula.—A. P.

PEPPER & GINGER

Bombay, Feb 25

The Pepper and Ginger Merchants' Association, Ltd.:

Pepper ready Alleppey per candy	Rs.	76	0 0
Pepper Chaitra Sud 15 per candy		78	4 0
Pepper Jeth Sud 15 per candy		80	12 0
Ginger bleached per cwt		15	0 0
Ginger Chaitra Sud per cwt		12	4 0

LINSEED & WHEAT

Bombay, Feb 25

Linseed May		4	12 0
Wheat May		3	11 0

INDIAN MERCHANTS' CHAMBER & ELECTION TO BOMBAY PORT TRUST

Mr. Behram N. Karanjia is standing as a candidate for election as a representative of the Indian Merchants' Chamber (from the Piecegoods Section) on the Board of the Bombay Port Trust.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

BOMBAY: Tuesday.

Miss Bridget Hope arrived at Government House.

Lady Lumley presented Girl Guide Awards and afterwards entertained the Provincial Commissioners and Guiders of the Bombay Division to tea at Government House.

The Governor of Bombay and Lady Lumley dined with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Madan.

Move For Memorial To Late Sir Temulji Nariman

TRIBUTES AT SHERIFF'S MEETING TO FOUNDER OF LYING-IN-HOSPITAL

Eloquent tributes were paid to the memory of the late Dr. Sir Temulji Nariman, an eminent physician and an illustrious citizen of Bombay, at the Sheriff's meeting, held at the C. J. Hall, on Tuesday. Sir John Beaumont, Chief Justice of the Bombay High Court, presided.

Sir John Beaumont said that Sir Temulji Nariman during the course of his life rendered many distinguished services both in his profession and in the public field. Sir Temulji retained his mental and physical vigour during the whole of his long life.

Sir Homi Mody moved the following resolution:

"A successful and a leading physician, a zealous corporator, and an outstanding Mason of all-India repute, actuated by the highest spirit of public service, Sir Temulji rendered meritorious service to the city of Bombay by being the acknowledged pioneer in the direction of helping would-be mothers by establishing the first Indian lying-in-hospital in this country.

"As a Syndic of very long standing of the University of Bombay Sir Temulji also rendered yeoman service in the field of education.

"His death has removed a citizen of many sided activities whose long life was spent in serving his fellow-men."

Sir Homi Mody said that Sir Temulji's life was filled with a variety of achievements but his most outstanding service was in the direction of maternity relief. He had not merely established the Parsi Lying-in-Hospital, he laid the foundation of a movement which became country-wide for the amelioration of the lot of prospective mothers. He raised the status of his profession and rendered meritorious services to the cause of medical relief and medical education.

Lt.-Col. S. L. Bhatia seconding the resolution referred to Sir Temulji's pioneer work in the field of maternity relief. He possessed all the qualities which would go to make one a great physician. The characteristics which struck those who came in contact with him were his kindliness, sympathy and friendliness.

Lady Rama Rao said that there were thousands of women who had passed through the Lying-in-Hospital for which Sir Temulji was responsible. He deserved appreciation for the work he did in this field.

Dr. Sir Mangidas Mehta said that to-day as a result of the pioneering efforts of Sir Temulji, the number of women who delivered in maternity institutions had gone up by 76 per cent. He had done more than anyone in the field of midwifery.

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Mr. R. P. Masani moved that Sir Temulji's memory be perpetuated by raising a suitable memorial and that a committee be appointed for that purpose.

Mr. Masani said that although Sir Temulji's career as a civic worker and public benefactor was in many respects unique. Always frank and guileless, he never allowed troubles and tribulations to disturb the rhythm of his life. Therein lay the secret of his success.

He hoped that the citizens of Bombay would raise a memorial worthy of the man and worthy of the tradition of the City.

Mr. Francis Low said that the impressions which Sir Temulji had left upon him were clear cut the first thing about him was his great courage with which was associated great faith. Another quality was his wonderful cheerfulness.

Prof. Sohrab Davar said that Sir Temulji showed great courage in facing the unanimous and adverse opinion of his community regarding his scheme of Parsee Lying-in-Hospital but he succeeded in establishing the institution.

RESPECTED MASON

Sir Temulji was the most respected Mason in the fraternity. He was the first Indian to be appointed the Grand Master of the Scottish Free Masonry in India and in that capacity he won over the hearts of all Free Masons.

The resolutions were carried.

Bombay Port Trust

At their meeting held on Tuesday the Trustees of the Port of Bombay sanctioned subject to the sanction of Government, a contribution of Rs. 5,000 to the Indian Sailors' Home in Bombay for the year 1940/41.

The contracts for the supply to the Bombay Port Trust during 1941/42 of approximately 215 tons of road surfacing material were placed with the Burmah-Shell Oil Storage and Distributing Company of India, Ltd., and Caltex (India), Ltd.

The concessional levee of one-third single extra fees allowed by the Trustees in respect of import cargo delayed in clearance due to detention by the Controller of Enemy Firms was extended to transhipment goods detained by the Customs Department and covered by their detention certificates.

In response to representations from the Indian Chamber of Commerce, Calcutta and the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, the Trustees decided to remit two-thirds of the extra fees incurred on cargoes ex s. s. "Jehangir," s. s. "President Polk" and s. s. "Durban Maru," which were intended for Red Sea and Mediterranean Ports but were brought to Bombay owing to war conditions and subjected to protracted storage in the Docks. The grant of this concession would involve remissions aggregating Rs. 1,52,266 8/10.

Overseas Orders For India

NEW DELHI, Feb. 24.

Large overseas demands for timber continue to be shipped from India. It is learnt that during the first fortnight of February timber valued at Rs. 40,00,000 was purchased by the Supply Department.

The chief orders and enquiries received during the first two weeks of February by the Department of Supply are textiles for New Zealand, Australia and His Majesty's Government, webbing for New Zealand, blanket and yarn for Burma, and 12,000,000 yards of mosquito netting for defence services.—A.P.

TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS

A Press Communique issued by the Manager of the Reserve Bank of India, Bombay, states:—

Tenders for Rs. one crore of 3 months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday, the 25th February 1941. Total amount offered was Rs. 2,74,25,000. Tenders at Rs. 99/13/3 were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99/13 allotted approximately 16 per cent. Total amount accepted was Rs. 1,00,00,000, the average rate of accepted tenders being Re. 0/11/4 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. one crore of 3 months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday, the 4th March 1941. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday, the 7th March 1941. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended 21st Feb. 1941, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 4,48,00,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

Three months' intermediates will be sold from 26th Feb 1941 to 3rd March 1941 at Rs. 99/13/6 subject to the conditions previously announced (viz. sales can be stopped at any time without previous notice if Government think it necessary).

Three months' intermediates sold from 19th February 1941 to 24th February 1941 amounted to Rs. 2,33,50,000.

ADJOURNMENT MOTION IN SIND ASSEMBLY

KARACHI, Feb. 25.

The Hon'ble Syed Miran Mohummud Shah, Speaker of the Sind Assembly, has admitted an adjournment motion tabled by Mr. M. H. Gazdar (Muslim League) to discuss the alleged shabby treatment meted out to the Speaker at the Governor's last Durbar held at Hyderabad.

It may be recalled that the Speaker was seated behind officers below in rank and precedence contrary to the Warrant of Precedence and the members were seated contrary to the long enjoyed practice in a manner not befitting their position and status.—United Press.

PURSE FOR GANDHIJI AT ALLAHABAD

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 25.

Special appeals have been issued for the collection of funds for presenting a purse to Mahatma Gandhi on behalf of the citizens of Allahabad for the Kamala Nehru Hospital Fund when he opens the hospital here on February 28.

Several 'muhalla' committees have been formed in the city in this connection and the students of the Allahabad University are making special efforts to present a purse on their own behalf.—A. P.

Ahmedabad-Prantej Railway Company

The forty-sixth ordinary general meeting of the Ahmedabad-Prantej Railway Company, Ltd., was held at the offices of the Company on Tuesday evening.

The Directors' report for the year 1940, which was adopted at the meeting showed that the Company had made a net profit of Rs. 2,92,505-8-1 after providing for Reserves and taxes. Out of this sum a total of Rs. 3 lakhs was distributed by way of dividends to the shareholders, making a total of 12 per cent. The company's staff was also given a bonus of Rs. 1,000, leaving a carry forward of Rs. 11,645-4-6.

Sir Purushottamdas Thakurdas and Mr. Ambalal Sarabhai, who retired by rotation were re-elected directors.

Messrs A. F. Fergusson and Co., were appointed auditors.

BOMBAY WAR GIFTS FUND

Amount previously acknowledged: Rs. 37,74,007/15/7.

For the I.A.F.—Rs. 6,777/9/3 through the Hon. Secretary, District War Committee, Jalgaon; Rs. 2,264 the staff of the Indian Hotels Co. Ltd. being the net proceeds of a War Gift Fund Ball organised by them; Rs. 1,368/7/9 through the Treasurer, Nasik District War Gift Fund, Nasik. Grand Total: Rs. 37,86,379/12/7.

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Bombay & Suburbs

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS

To-day

Hindu: Magh Vad 30, 1997
Muslim: Mohurrum 29, 1360
Parsi: Shehrever 25, 1310.
Hightide: 00-22; 12-28
Lowtide: 6-30; 18-19
Sunrise: 7h 1m.
Sunset: 6h. 44m.

NOTICE TO JURYMEN

Special Jurors' attention is drawn to the Notice appearing in the Public Notifications Column.

"F" WARD DISTT. CONG. COMMITTEE

The ordinary monthly meeting of the Managing Council of the "F" Ward Distt. Congress Committee will be held to-morrow (Thursday), at 6-30 p.m (S.T.) in the Committee's office.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS

A public meeting for Questions and Answers preceded by a short talk on "Successive Lives on Earth" will be held to-day (Wednesday) at 6-15 p.m. at Jehangir Wadia Building, opp. Flora Fountain. All questions are welcome and all are cordially invited.

DANCING AT THE TAJ

Madame Kelvey's pupils are to give an exhibition of dancing at the Taj Mahal Hotel, to-day (Wednesday) from 6 p.m. to 8-30 in aid of the War Gifts Fund. Tickets for this may be had from the Ladies' Committee, Central Bank Building.

THE "WIN THE WAR" RUPEE FUND

Monday, March 3, is the day for the intensive sale of "Win the War" Rupee Fund tickets. Mrs. J. C. Jones who is in charge of this drive is arranging for sellers to comb every street, office and house in Bombay in a great effort to sell the remaining 4,000 books of these tickets. Rs. 65,000 is now in the bank and it is hoped to close the Fund on March 31. The public are asked to rally round on this day and buy—not one ticket, but one book of tickets—on March 3. Remember one book of tickets bought on that day may result in Rs. 10,000 on March 31. It is worth trying.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Close Shave". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"The Mark of Zorro". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Little Nellie Kelly." Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Thief of Bagdad". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"The Great Dictator." Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Pardesi". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
PATHE—"Sanskar". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Bandhan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"Lagna Pahawe Karoon". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m
MINERVA—"Nartaki". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Narsi Bhagat". Daily at 3, 6-15 and 9-30 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Madhusudan". Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Raj Nartaki". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Padosi". Daily at 4, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
HIND-MATA—"Sneh Bandhan". Daily at 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Punarmilan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"Matwali Meera". Daily at 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Dharma-Bandhan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(By A SUBURBAN MAN).

From to-day starts the 40 days of Catholic Lent, known as Ash-Wednesday. This morning's services in Catholic churches, especially those in the Suburbs, are very impressive.

From to-day all Catholics will observe 40 days of devotion and abstinence. In the suburbs nearly every Catholic church will hold memorial services throughout the week.

These forty days, which are the days before Christ was nailed to the Cross, are days when every Catholic is expected to remember the Sacrifice of the Son of God at Golgotha, about 2,000 years ago. These days are observed with devotion and mournings.

POSTER DISPLAY

It will be noticed that during the last two years nearly the entire suburban area has had advertisement posters displayed.

Posters of Cinemas, Circuses, Variety Entertainments, etc., are put anywhere on anybody's walls, thus making the appearance of the suburbs look cheap and shabby. The reason for such a large display of posters is that these posters can be put up without any tax or payment.

Suburban municipalities which always cry for funds must tax the posters which would mean considerable revenue.

ANTI-FASCIST PROPAGANDA MEETING

The 4th anti-Fascist propaganda meeting will be held under the auspices of the Bombay Radical Democratic Party, to-day (Wednesday) at 6 p.m. on Ghoga Street, Fort. Coms. V. B. Karnik, Panday, Kale, De Mello and others will address the meeting.

A SOCIETY WEDDING

(From Our Correspondent).

RAJKOT: Feb. 23.

The wedding of Miss Manjula, daughter of Rao Saheb Bhogilal M. Baxi, former Sub-Judge (Civil), Kathiawar and retired Majmu Nyayadhish of Bantwa, with Dr. Markandrai took place here in the presence of a select society gathering.

PUBLIC LECTURE

Under the auspices of the Blavatsky Lodge, T. S., Mr. Maneckji J. Mistry will lecture in English at the Besant Hall of the Lodge, at French Bridge, Chowpatty, to-day (Wednesday) at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) on "The Effects of the Four Great Conjunctions and the Four Eclipses of 1941 on the Present War."

COSMO CIRCLE, BANDRA

Our great wars are due to the intellectual bankruptcy of mankind, said Prof. P. A. Wadia, speaking at the Cosmo Circle, Bandra, last Sunday, on "Some Implications of the New World Order." On the one hand we have great progress, on the other men have retained the 'caveman' mentality and the narrow morality of the past, and they still pray to tribal gods for each others destruction.

Tariff walls, armaments and hatred in war will lead mankind to destruction and they will perish like the huge pre-historic creatures with little brains unless intellect asserts itself and enables all men to come together as equals before the one universal God of Nature.

The series of lectures will conclude with Prof. J. J. Anjaria speaking on "Economics and the New World Order" at the Cosmo Circle, Mr. Manu Subedar presiding.

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MILK FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Corporation Standing Committee Reduces Grant

The Standing Committee of the Municipal Corporation this year has sanctioned only Rs. 5,000 for the supply of milk to the school-going children in the Municipal schools against the grant of Rs. 1,20,000 sanctioned last year.

Dr. B. H. Rajadhyaksha moved an amendment on Tuesday in the Municipal Corporation to restore the grant of Rs. 5,000 to Rs. 1,20,000 as was done last year.

MILK SUPPLY SCHEME OPPOSED

Dr. C. K. Cursetji opposed this amendment and said that last year the Schools Committee spent Rs. 60,000 on the supply of milk to the school children which was only a waste. There was no scientific background for the proper distribution of milk as was done in England by the London County Council and other boroughs through the National Scientific Bureau. The staff of this Bureau generally visit not the schools but the homes of the children and investigate the sanitary and hygienic conditions and also about the nutrition and where there was necessity to give nutritious food, there only the children were given diet according to the recommendation. Here beyond spending the money, they did not know whether the milk supplied was pure or adulterated.

Mr. R. A. Gole also opposed the amendment and said that samples of milk supplied to the school children were taken for examination off hand and once pieces of glass were found in a milk bottle. Another time the milk was found quite deficient in fat and the vendor was fined in a court of law. Mr. R. S. Nimbkar and Mr. Gordhandas G. Morarji also opposed the amendment and it was thrown out by nine votes against 35. The Mayor adjourned the House till Monday next.

LADIES' COMMITTEE WAR GIFTS FUND

The following is a list of contributions to the War Gifts Fund received through the Ladies' Committee up to Friday, Feb. 21:—Rs. 92,463/4/5 amount previously acknowledged. Rs. 2,212/5/3 proceeds of sale of work by Girl Guides' Association, Bombay Division Rangers (Rs. 1,106/5/3 earmarked for Bombay Red Cross amenities for troops, Rs. 553 earmarked for the R.A.F. and Rs. 553 earmarked for the I.A.F.) Rs. 1,201/8 Bombay Choral and Philharmonic Society (Rs. 600/12 earmarked for the R.A.F. and Rs. 600/12 earmarked for the I.A.F.); Rs. 96/14 Messrs. Pohumall Bros. (being 2 per cent of their sales for January). Rs. 82 Girl Guides, Bombay ("Hellenic War Fund"); Rs. 50 Mrs. H. B. Iny (Rs. 25 R.A.F. and Rs. 25 I.A.F.) Rs. 96,105/15/8 Grand total.

BOMBAY NATIONAL GUARDS

The annual general body meeting of the Bombay Notional Guards was held on 23rd inst. at the B.P.C.C. Hall. The following members were elected to the Managing Committee:—President: Dr. P. S. Nair. Jt. Hon. Secretaries: Messrs. Y. Nagesh Rao and Bhoja Rao Inna. Hon. Treasurer: Mr. M. K. Poladia. Captain: Mr. V. R. Modak. Managing Committee Members: Messrs. P. J. Manjrekar, G. B. Mendon, J. Veer, B. Rama Rao, Doraiswamy and R. M. Ameen. Auditors: Messrs. K. N. Gaitonde and G. S. Byndoor.

The general body congratulated two of its members, Messrs. Anilkumar Takker and T. Lokesh for their spirit of sacrifice in offering Satyagraha and courting imprisonment.

MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL WORKERS' CONFERENCE

The Bombay Municipal Hospital Workers' Conference will meet at the R. M. Bhatt High School Hall, Parel, on Friday, Feb. 27 to protest against the treatment meted out to them by the hospital authorities.

INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP LECTURE CANCELLED

The meeting of the Bombay International Fellowship, which was to be held to-day (Wednesday), has been cancelled.

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women were alive to the work they had to do.

LEGAL DISABILITIES

The speaker, then, narrated a short account of the social reform work done by them. She stressed the need for the removal of women's legal disabilities and said that the laws of inheritance were so inadequate and wrong that it would take very many years for them to move the Government sufficiently to consider the position of Indian women especially under the Hindu Law. The Royal Commission on Labour threw a flood of light on the conditions of women workers. The sub-committee of the Conference had collected a good deal of information on the conditions of women workers.

All the three women's organisations in India had extended their activities by participating constantly and with great interest in international questions relating to women. At a time when India was passing through a period of stress and bitterness and there were embittered feelings between the British and the Indians, Indian women invited the British women to attend their conferences as visitors and lend them their help, advice and co-operation. In her opinion, it was a bold step.

Concluding, Lady Rama Rau appealed to the Rotarians to extend their help to the women's movement.

Rotarian E. B. Ghasvala proposed a vote of thanks to the speaker.

Indian Woman Awakened!

LADY RAMA RAU EXPLAINS ORIGIN AND PROGRESS OF WOMEN'S MOVEMENT

The origin and the growth of the movement to "raise the standard of the Indian womanhood" were explained by Lady Rama Rau in the course of a speech, at a lunch given by the Rotary Club at the Taj on Tuesday.

It was described as a "Ladies Day" and it was announced that 315 members and guests—a record attendance—were present.

The subject on which Lady Rama Rau spoke was "Indian Women's Organisations". Rotarian Sir Sultan Chinoy presided.

ORIGIN OF MOVEMENT

Twenty-five years ago, Lady Rama Rau observed, the first All-India women's organisation was formed, with a view to bringing the leading women together to enable them to think about the problems affecting Indian women. The incentive was derived from the fact that the Montague-Chelmsford Committee was about to begin its sittings in India. The speaker was connected with the Committee that was organising this work and with the evidence placed before the Montague-Chelmsford Committee. Subsequently, they found that there was immense work for them to do in the sphere for emancipation of women, and thus the Women's Indian Association came into existence as an All-India body.

EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WORK

In 1919, Lady Rama Rau said the National Council of Women in India came to be first formed with a view to do social work among the Indian women. The speaker considered that the organisation formed in 1927, namely, the All-India Women's Council, to consider and discuss the question of women's education, was the most important one. A few representatives of five major provinces met, and so much enthusiasm there was and so much experience and knowledge were brought to bear in the discussions that next year representatives of other provinces joined in the conference.

WHEN BEGUM OF BHOPAL DISCARDED PURDHA

Lady Rama Rau recalled the incident which took place in 1928 when the then Begum of Bhopal presided over the conference. They discussed the question of social reform and the Begum, for the first time, discarded her veil and boldly advocated the discarding of the purdah. Support to the Women's Conference grew more and more and during the last session at Bangalore, 160 delegates from 160 different centres attended.

The programme of work had grown gradually year after year, and thus they had passed through a great national movement in the country in which women had shouldered responsibility in social and political spheres. The consciousness of women had been roused and it was difficult to shove them out from the various activities. Indian

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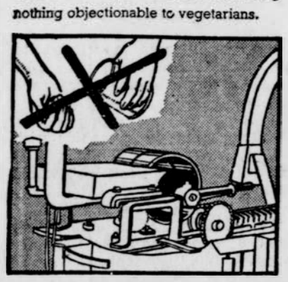

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AS UNTRUE AS EVER

Wanton misrepresentation of the Congress seems to have become, through frequent indulgence, a second nature with Mr. Amery. In his latest broadcast on India he said that autonomy had broken down in several provinces "mainly because of the pretensions of the Congress party, the largest and best organised party in India, not only to immediate and unconditional independence but in the name of democracy to override the claim of other important elements in India's complex national life" There is much terminological inexactitude in this remark, and we do wonder if Mr. Amrey, who is at least well-informed, is unaware of it. The Congress does stand for complete, unconditional independence, as it did when it was in office and as the Muslim League, too, does. The demand for independence, therefore, cannot explain Congress non-co-operation. It is on record that for the purpose of a temporary settlement the Congress has demanded only the immediate recognition of India's right to independence and self-determination to come into force after the war. In response to this demand Mr. Amery states that Britain has already conceded the right to Dominion Status to be attained after the war and that this is the highest status that can be achieved by any country. If so, the Congress demand cannot be higher than the highest status. It only means that the offer must be definite and clear both about the highest conceivable status and the earliest possible time. For Mr Amery to dodge this demand shows that he interprets his promise in a way very much his own.

Gross Misrepresentation

Mr. Amery is guilty of grosser representation when he says that Congress is now out of office because of its "pretensions", "in the name of democracy to override the claim of other important elements in India's complex national life". During the two years the Congress was in office not a single Governor concerned had occasion even once to object to any measure as overriding the interests of any minority elements in the country. As regards the future constitution, the Constituent Assembly or any other acceptable equivalent, demanded by the Congress will represent all minority interests as fully as possible as representation will be on adult franchise or its equivalent. The Congress has also conceded that all recognised minorities will, if they so choose, be represented through their own electorates and that their representatives will formulate their own safeguards, which will be duly conceded except that, in the event of any hitch, it will be referred to arbitration. We challenge Mr. Amery to suggest a fairer method of doing justice to minorities without doing injustice to the majority. While always anxious to deal generously with the demands of minorities, the Congress will never allow anybody in or outside India to cheat the majority as well as the minorities of their legitimate rights in the name of minority claims.

Britain's Choice

Mr. Amery seems to be satisfied with the war effort in India in spite of the Congress campaign. He says that the campaign "does not affect the eagerness to come forward to serve in that cause" and that "it does not affect the generous enthusiasm with which all classes of Indian society have contributed to every fund collected for the war". This in a way is a tribute to the non-embarrassing character of the campaign, a character which Gandhiji is scrupulously striving to maintain. Things might have been still better if Congress had no occasion to start a campaign. For ourselves, we think that the war effort is not what it can be or needs to be. But it can be appreciably better only if there is a settlement with the Congress, which is now hostile, as well as the Muslim League, which, Mr. Jinnah says, is maintaining a "benevolent neutrality" If Britain chooses she has still a fair chance of arriving at a settlement with both these bodies. If, however, Mr. Amery prefers the old game of playing the one against the other, he will fail miserably, as he deserves to be, with consequences which Britain will neither relish nor retrieve.

The Fuehrer's Threat

In his speech at Munich, Herr Hitler may have been partly bluffing. But rarely has he himself given threats almost complete with specific details. His speech, therefore, should be taken seriously, as we note the British press actually does. The Fuehrer seems determined to embark upon serious and intensified operations during the next few months. "I have learned to wait", he said, "but I have not been idle." Nor has he been idle. As he revealed, his "new U-boats" have come into service and there is no doubt that in March and April he will attempt to start a naval warfare "such as the enemy never expected." The object, of course, is obvious. The Fuehrer realises that with the aid of America, Britain will be rapidly growing in power and strength so that by the end of spring it is his position which will become virtually hopeless. He must strike before it is too late. He must, that is, make a supreme effort soon to check that growing strength and to strangle the enemy. He does not appear to be willing to launch an actual invasion. But he will certainly use his Luftwaffe and his U-boats "fanatically". Moreover, it is now clear that he will at the same time strike in the Balkans also, that is to say, against Greece. Suggesting that the British have "transferred their victories elsewhere and we have had to run after them", the Fuehrer declared, "but we shall find them wherever they go and strike at them where our blows will be most destructive". This is vainglorious language. But it leaves no doubt that German preparations in Bulgaria are intended for a drive, in the first instance, to Salonika.

But it is one thing to desire and it is quite a different thing to achieve that desire. An invasion of Greece may perhaps meet with unexpected difficulties. And even if the Fuehrer establishes himself in Salonika, he cannot decisively influence the British position in the Middle East. He has convenient bases in Italy but, in spite of the destruction of the "Southampton" and damage to the "Illustrious" his intervention even in Central Mediterranean has not nearly proved the successes it was expected to be. As to his promised U-boat and aerial campaign directly against Britain, there, too, the prospects of decisive achievements are not rosy. For one thing, if Herr Hitler has not been idle nor have the British. They are very much stronger now than they were last year. Moreover, the experience of last autumn shows that mass aerial raids in day time have proved disastrous to the Nazis themselves. As to night raids, Mr. Wendell Willkie has declared that while working havoc among civilian population and property, they have failed appreciably to affect war production. The U-boat, however, is a more serious menace. But the manner in which the British have dealt with it during the last three months proved that they can beat back the menace in its intensified fury, too, provided America helps them immediately with merchant ships and more destroyers. Herr Hitler's Munich threats is serious enough. But although the British will have to undergo greater trials and hardships, there is no reason why they cannot emerge successful against the Nazi campaign—unless, of course, America lets them down and of that there is little likelihood.

Japan And Strategic Facts

In an article on the position in the South Seas, the "Economist" writes:

The "China incident" drags on without hope of a decision on either side. Throughout the third year of war Japanese resources and manpower were drained away, with little or nothing to show profit and to-day, with half another year gone, Prince Konoye has to admit there is little likelihood of a quick decision.

Fortunately, for the Japanese, a new field of manoeuvres has been opened by the events of last summer in Europe. Holland was conquered, France collapsed and the naval balance appeared to be so transformed by the loss of the French Fleet that Japan could at least reckon on the democracies pursuing a timid naval policy in the Far East. Japan's position was that of a man who suddenly discovers that a number of wealthy but intestate aunts have died and that he has a sporting chance of establishing himself as the next of kin.

The drive began almost before the last gun had been fired in France. In the economic sphere it took the form of growing pressure on the Dutch East Indies, Mr. Kobayashi arrived with an impressive trade mission and when weeks of negotiation led only to the sale of 900,000 tons of oil, Mr. Yoshizawa was despatched on a "last diplomatic effort".

Before he left Japan, he made a number of pointed statements about his country's "have not" status and the necessity to secure important concessions from the Dutch: on his arrival it was found that the terms which he proposed for discussion included the "right" of Japan to explore the outer Dutch East Indies to establish an airline, secure mining and fishing concessions and fields for the exploitation of undeveloped areas, and, finally, to settle Japanese citizens in the Indies as business and professional men.

Economic Smokescreen

The Dutch took this to be an economic smokescreen, masking political annexation, and attempted to limit the talks to trade by barter. These suspicions have been increased in recent weeks by the Diet's bout of Imperial bombast over Japan's "mission of leadership" and strong protests were lodged with Tokyo disclaiming all intention of joining anybody's "New Order".

The Japanese rejected the protest, but Japanese officials, both in Tokyo and Batavia, went out of their way to stress the purely economic nature of the "New Order".

The Dutch remain obstinately unconvinced.

The economic offensive so far has fared badly. But Japan has had better success in French Indo-China where it was possible to bring direct military pressure to bear.

After a brief resistance in September, the French authorities had to agree to concessions—airfields, garrisons, trade facilities and the rest. The Japanese had prefaced their drive by evacuating the Kwangsi Peninsula and by the time the French capitulated, these troops were available for use in the south.

Can Oust France

To-day, there are probably two divisions in Hainan and at least another in Formosa. Under the agreement with Vichy, a large garrison was established in Haiphong and it has been steadily strengthened throughout the autumn. The economic advantages of this occupation are substantial enough. Indo-China was an "assimilated" colony and the bulk of its trade was, therefore, with France.

Japan will now be in a position to oust France and create her own monopoly in textiles, equipment and cheap goods. In return, there are mineral reserves—coal, iron, and tungsten—as well as rubber and rice.

Japan's aims, however, are primarily strategic. After Indo-China has come the turn of Thailand. Here, too, events last June brought about a revolution in policy as recently as June, 1939.

Thailand

The Thai Government offered France and Britain the use of Thailand's airfields and fueling stations, asking, in return, a guarantee of her independence. The catastrophe in the west was Japan's opportunity and Thailand's internal situation was favourable. The Thai regime, nominally, elective, is controlled by a military clique, under Luang Bipul Songgram, whose attitude to the Government is admirably illustrated by the fact that he combines the offices of Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, of Foreign Affairs and of the Interior.

Japan played on his intense nationalism, offering to support Thailand's long-standing territorial claims on Indo-China and hinting that, with Vichy's impotence, the time for action had come.

Fighting broke out between Thailand and Indo-China in November along the Mekong River. Japan undoubtedly abetted both sides and without her encouragement it is likely that the fighting would have petered out. Through December and January sporadic attacks continued, developing in the New Year into more vicious fighting, with mass air attacks and sharp naval engagements.

But both sides seemed to have little heart for it and were ready to accept an offer of Japanese mediation.

Negotiations have opened and the purpose of Japan's intervention is made manifest in the terms which are shaping over the conference table.

"A Wild Hope"

Thailand's claims are moderate enough—rectification of the frontier on the Mekong, which involves the transfer of some islands. The mediator's terms are likely to be more onerous—the right to patrol the disturbed frontier and effective occupation of Camranh Bay.

Enough has happened to explain Japan's general strategy. Behind the facade of speeches on the "New Order", behind such extravaganzas as the recently founded "League for the emancipation of south-eastern Asiatic nations", whose aim is to free the "500 million people of Annam, Cochin China, the East Indies, the Malay Peninsula, Burma, India and the Philippines", lies ruthless expansionist diplomacy, which is pursuing its objectives with a cold and calculating logic. A glance at a map of the South Seas (as defined by Japan) makes it clear that that so long as 3,000 sea miles separate Japan from the riches of Java and Sumatra, so long as the Philippines, with American naval squadrons at Manila, lie in between, and the British Commonwealth remains on guard at Singapore, the Japanese "New Order" must remain a wild hope in the minds of the Black Dragon Society.

The concentration of troops in Formosa and Hainan, the gradual building up of the Army of Occupation in Indo-China and, above all, the creation of a naval base near Saigon, only some 850 miles from Singapore or Manila, are all necessary preliminaries to putting a military sting into the economic pressure which is being exerted on the Dutch to-day—and perhaps Malaya to-morrow.

Japan's gains so far are not negligible and if Germany's blows in the west should come to exhaust the resources of the great democracies below the safety line in the Far East, a land and sea attack upon Singapore, the nodal point of Britain's whole Far Eastern defence system, comes within the bounds of possibility.

Obstacles In Path

Yet Japan's path to hegemony is by no means as smooth as her more enthusiastic publicists suggest.

In the west the very unwarlike attitude of the Italian fleet and the insistence of Vichy on the

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Mother India Speaks

BY D. F. KARAKA

It sure is a sign of progress for a mother to speak while the daughters listen on. In the old days it used to be the mother that played the role of the passive audience to a young girl's vitriolic outburst on art, literature or what have you. Time marches on and to the tune of "Bande Matram" the Daughters of Ind (with apologies to Mr. Fyzee Rahmin) march on. "It is", said Lady Rama Rau, addressing the Rotary Club yesterday, "a sign of the growth of the women's movement in India that I should have been invited to speak at this *exclusive men's club*". The italics are mine, for the Rotary is only exclusive to the extent of excluding women. I rather thought it was a sign of the growth of the Rotary movement that it should have been able to grace its programme with a speaker so delightful as the wife of the ex-Agent to South Africa. 'Midst a clatter of plates, similar to the lunch-time music of the Taj, she delivered, without referring more than once to a strip of paper, an address which few men in this country could have delivered with the same ease, grace and sincerity.

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Lady Rama Rau gave us in brief outline the growth of the woman's movement, beginning in 1917 with the Indian Women's Association, then in 1919 the National Council of Women in India, till it finally evolved in 1927 into the All-India Women's Council, which is the all-embracing organisation of the fraternity of women. As she recounted those early experiences, a lady sitting beside me said: "'It was a thrilling experience"—and I realized more than I did before what enthusiasm there must have been behind the various Indian women's movements in India, and how much this emancipation meant to them—they who only a few years ago were in purdah. In 1928, Lady Rama Rau said, the Begum of Bhopal discarded the veil and implored all women to do so (Loud cheers from the Rotarian President, Sir Sultan Chinoy). All these things, small as they may seem now, have, in reality, been more important to the women than we can ever imagine. To lift the veil was like coming out into the open and feel the heat of the sun, parching your face and to commune with man and nature in a manner in which purdah women never could before.

But everything must have a limit and Lady Rama Rau drew a picture, which to me had the most frightening prospect—that or increasing the women's vote a hundred-fold in this country. At times like these, I feel the purdah was really a safeguard for the rights of man.

Slightly ambiguous was the speaker's reference to "women in labour," who, according to Lady Rama Rau, "suffered from all the wrongs from which women in labour suffer." Lady Rama Rau ended by appealing to the ideal of service in Rotary and hoped that "morally and financially" the Rotary movement would help the women's movement in India.

The Rotarians' response was the speech of Mr. Ghaswala, who struck me as one of the finest and most fluent speakers of Esperanto in this country. He spoke, for instance, of "the aristocratic communion." Mr. Ghaswala should stick to the 850 words of Basic English. Mr. Ghaswala's vote of thanks, however, had one redeeming feature, for he committed the Rotary Club to support "morally and financially" the women's movement and as he spoke on behalf of the Club, one has reason to believe that he had instructions from the Club so to commit itself, or else it's going to be an expensive experience for Mr. Ghaswala.

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I like attending functions like these. They are so mixed that you really feel at home, and you are sure the standard of intelligence will more or less balance itself to a healthy normal between Jockeys, Australian tommies, whole Khoja families and members of the Rotary Club. Perhaps, it was an indication of the popularity of Lady Rama Rau as a speaker, or of her subject or, perhaps, because the lunch at the Taj is much better than usual. One really couldn't say. All I know is that I was pleasantly surprised by Lady Rama Rau and the very forceful way in which she presented her case made me feel a little anxious about the future of men in India. Lady Rama Rau must speak again. She is delightful to hear.

Frankly Speaking

Thai-Indo-Chinese Talks

According to a Bangkok report, "the announcement of the renewal of the Thailand-Indo-China truce, which was due to expire at 10 A.M. on Tuesday, has created a more hopeful attitude here. "Better progress in the Tokio peace talks is now considered possible". From other sources, however, have come reports that Thailand has been making excessive territorial demands which both Vichy and Saigon have rejected. Now, there is a good deal of justice in Thai territorial claims upon Indo-China provided the Thai authorities do not exaggerate them. Given goodwill and a sense of proportion there is no reason why the unfortunate conflict should not be settled to the satisfaction of both. But the main trouble will still remain. Japan has forced her mediation upon the parties to further her "South Seas" adventure; and it is by no means certain that either of the parties will resist her. Meanwhile, however, Mr. Churchill has met the Japanese ambassador in London. Let us at least hope that some good will come out of this interview.

Free French Success

Commenting on the capture by the Free French forces a British military spokesman is reported to have expressed particular gratification at the success because it opens a new danger from the north to the Italians defending Keren. The conquerors of Cub Cub are now only 63 miles from Keren and since they have already liquidated an important strategical stronghold it can be expected that their march to the rear of Keren, already threatened by British and Indian troops from the east, will be swift. The capture of Keren will have an extremely important bearing on the East African situation. The Italians are reported to be keen on holding it. If, therefore, Keren is reduced the victory may prove decisive for the Eritrean campaign. And once the Italians are on the run after a major defeat on that front, they will soon collapse on the other five fronts, too.

Peace In Sind

It is much to be hoped that the unanimous decision of the Sind Cabinet to give effect to Justice Weston's recommendations about the Sukkur Manzilgah will definitely and once for all settle a long-standing and unfortunate dispute. This hope is strengthened by the decision not to impose a punitive tax in the troubled area and to give due compensation to those who suffered heavily in recent riots. Would that these welcome decisions had synchronized with the establishment of a stable ministry in accordance with the Azad Pact. But the Muslim League, by destroying the Pact, has virtually destroyed the prospect of an all-party ministry. We hope, nevertheless, that those groups which honour the Pact will be able to form a sufficiently stable ministry.

MANZILGAH RETURNED TO MUSLIMS

SUKKUR, Feb. 25

The Manzilgah building was handed over to the Muslims this morning and a large number of Muslims, who had gathered, offered prayers in the place. The Board of Management appointed by the Government consisting of seven members representing the principal Muslim organisations in the province were present on the occasion. The barbed-wire fencing around the building was removed and the small Police Force which was stationed there was also withdrawn.

Orders under Section 144 have been promulgated in the town of Sukkur for a period of fifteen days.—A. P.

HUQ'S STATEMENT ON CENSUS

CALCUTTA, Feb. 25

The Bengal Legislative Assembly re-assembled this evening after nine days' recess.

After question time, Mr. Atul Chandra Sen (Congress) referred to an Adjournment Motion he had tabled to discuss a Press statement of the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, in connection with the census operations now in progress in the province.

The Speaker, Sir Azizul Haque said that he had not the opportunity of going through the motion. He would, however, give his decision in the matter tomorrow.

The House then began general discussion on the Bengal Government's Budget for the year 1941-42.—A. P.

ANXIETY FOR BOSE'S SAFETY

CALCUTTA, Feb. 25

On the occasion of the All-India "Subhas Day", observed on Sunday, Mr. Savarkar President of the Hindu Mahasabha sent the following message in the course of a letter to Mr. Mukundial Sircar, acting General Secretary of the All-India Forward Bloc:

"I share in your anxiety for the safety of Deshapriya Subhas Chandra Bose. May the gratitude, sympathy and good wishes of a nation be a source of never failing solace and inspiration to him wherever he happens to be.

"Wherever he happens to be, I have no doubt, he will continue to contribute his all, even health and life, to the cause of Indian freedom."—A. P.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

We have always taken the view that the Pakistan scheme is fundamentally unsound, and that it is wrong, even in Muslim interests, to split up India into a number of small independent States. If the history of the last decade has taught us anything, it is that small independent States are a danger not only to themselves but to others.

—Anglo-India.

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Mr. Amery accuses Congress of wanting "in the name of Democracy to override the claims of other important elements in India's complex national life."

Evidently the Rt. Honourable British Democrat would like Congress to concede the demand for the dismemberment of India?

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The ruling Princes of India, says Mr. Amery, have their own martial traditions and a long record of loyalty to the Crown.

We wish he had not stopped there but had emphasised also their supreme love for freedom and democracy, because of which they are so enthusiastically participating in this war of freedom and democracy against tyranny and dictatorship.

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"NEW YORK, February 25.

A generally phlegmatic reception is accorded here to Hitler's speech ....."

—Reuter.

Yes, the Fuhrer has frequently complained that democracies "spat on me."

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Referring to Signor Mussolini Herr Hitler says "when I have chosen a man, I stick to him."

He does. In fact, many Italians are already sympathising with the Sindbadified Duce.

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By the way, the Junior Colleague has drawn attention to the fact that Germany relayed the Fuhrer's speech to Italy, Bulgaria, Rumania, Yugo-Slavia, Finland and Switzerland.

Asked why, he has replied with the question "why Finland?"

We have no answer except to wish that we could pass the question on to Moscow.

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Bulgaria To Be Blacked-Out.

—Headline.

Exactly, exactly.

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Japanese proposals for a settlement of the Thai-Indo-Chinese conflict have been rejected by Vichy, says a Shanghai report.

It is hoped that M. Matsuoka will respectfully report this recalcitrance to Berlin without delay.

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Mr. Matsuoka's explanation of his mediation blunder, is, according to his latest statement, that "the British misunderstanding was possibly caused by the phraseology he had used....."

This is rather a dainty way of eating his words.

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"Doctor", said the patient, "if there's anything the matter with me, don't frighten me to death by giving it a long scientific name but just tell me what it is in plain English."

The doctor examined the man thoroughly, and then said: "Well, to be quite frank, nothing the matter with you. I should say you were just lazy!"

The patient looked rather discomfited, and said: "Now give me the scientific name for it—the longest name you've got. I've got to report to my employer."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Nothing circulates so rapidly as a secret.

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Some men are afraid of nothing but danger.

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Fortune tellers are fortune swellers—for themselves.

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A successful man is entitled to less praise than the man who makes another effort after each failure.

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Religion that doesn't abide with a man twenty-four hours a day and seven days a week isn't worth having.

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Two persons may be able to live as cheaply as one after they are married—but they can't do it while engaged.

Dr. Syed Mahmud To Meet Mahatma

Bihar Ex-Minister's Satyagraha Plans

Year's Ban On Processions In Punjab

CHAPRA, February 24.

Dr. Syed Mahmud, a former Minister of Bihar, has arrived here from his village home where he had been convalescing. He is expected to proceed to Allahabad on February 28 on an invitation from Mahatma Gandhi.

Health permitting, Dr. Mahmud will offer Satyagraha some time in the second week of March.—A.P.

PUNJAB BANS PROCESSIONS

LAHORE, Feb. 25.

The holding of or taking part in public processions within the municipal boundaries of forty towns in the Punjab has been prohibited for a period of one year. Orders to this effect have been issued by the Governor of the Punjab in exercise of his powers under the Defence of India Rules.

These orders, however, do not apply to a procession in respect of which a licence has been duly issued under the Police Act; funeral or marriage processions or to a customary religious procession to which the District Magistrate may grant exemption by an order in writing. The District Magistrate may in respect of the last mentioned class of processions impose such conditions as he thinks fit.—A. P.

2 SATYAGRAHIS ARRESTED EARLY ON TUESDAY

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Two Congressmen selected by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee for offering Satyagraha in the city this evening, were arrested at about 4-30 a.m. to-day and taken to Thana for detention.

They were Mr. C. V. Varad, member of the "D" Ward Committee, and Mr. R. M. Jadhav, member of the "E" Ward Congress Committee.

The next batch from Bombay includes Mr. M. R. Jayawant, member of the "F" Ward Congress Committee, and Mr. Kesrichand J. Jhaveri, member of the "C" Ward Congress Committee. They propose to offer Satyagraha on Thursday.

Nadiad Satyagrahi Fined Rs. 500

(From Our Correspondent)

NADIAD, Feb. 22.

Mr. Manibhai Garbadas, Secretary of the Umreth Gramya Samitee who offered Satyagraha at Anand in Kaira district by shouting anti-war slogans was arrested. He was later placed before the Sub-Divisional Magistrate, who sentenced him to one day's S. I., and fine of Rs. 500, in default further six months. He was placed in 'C' Class.

Messrs. Khusalbhai Kalidas Patel, Secretary of the Petlad Taluka Praja Mandal; Manubhai Vrajalal Patel; Subhas Manilal Sutaria and Gordhanbhai Bahecharbhai Patel have intimated to the District Magistrate of Kaira of their intention to offer Satyagraha at Anand, Karamsad, and Adas respectively on February 28.

13 SUBURBANITES TO OFFER SATYAGRAHA IN MARCH

The Bombay Suburban District Congress Committee has drawn up a list of 13 Satyagrahis for March. According to present plans, Satyagraha will be offered by each Congressman every alternate day.

During the next three days there will be a respite in the Satyagraha campaign of the Suburban Congress Committee.

Notice Served On Kolhapur Paper

KOLHAPUR, Feb. 25.

The Kolhapur District Magistrate served a notice on the editor of the "Vidyawilas" demanding cash security of Rs. 1,000/- within five days in connection with the report of a speech in the "Vidyavilas" dated 11th January last.—A.P.

DISSOLVE CANTONMENT SATYAGRAHA COMMITTEES

Gandhiji's Instruction For Bangalore

BANGALORE Feb. 25.

A communication has been received by the Bangalore Cantonment Congress Committee from the Karnataka Provincial Congress Committee instructing the dissolution of Cantonment Satyagraha Committee. This it is understood, is in pursuance of the instruction of Gandhiji ordering dissolution of Satyagraha Committees in Cantonment [illegible] and form District Congress [illegible] told the K.P.C.C. president. I learn

EX-POLICEMAN ARRESTED

SANKARANKOIL, Feb. 22.

Mr. Ramaswami Naicker, formerly a member of the Madras City Police, was arrested for offering Satyagraha by shouting anti-war slogans. He has been remanded to custody pending trial by the Sub-Divisional Magistrate.—A. P.

Committees instead in order to carry out the constructive programme of the Congress.—A. P.

In Andhra:

OVER THOUSAND OFFER SATYAGRAHA

(From Our Correspondent)

MADRAS, Feb. 25

Andhra Desh crosses thousandth mark in the march of Satyagraha, the actual total Congressmen offering Satyagraha till last week being 1072.

The number of Satyagrahis not arrested is on the increase many of them marching to Delhi.

Regarding the collection of fines it is learnt, police are attaching doors, agricultural implements, clothes, provisions, cots and other daily necessities.

In Tamil Nad

MADRAS, Feb. 25.

Four more Satyagrahis including one woman Congress worker were convicted by the Chief Presidency Magistrate to-day under the Defence of India Rules for shouting anti-war slogans in different parts of the city.

Srimathi Seetnalakshmi, member District Congress Committee who was sentenced to imprisonment till the rising of the court and a fine of Rs. 250 on the 12th instant, offered Satyagraha for a second time to-day. She was again sentenced to imprisonment till the rising of the court and a fine of Rs. 1,000 in default further six months' rigorous imprisonment.

Mr. P. Chennakesavalu Chetty, an insurance organiser, was sentenced to imprisonment till the rising of the court and a fine of Rs. 200 in default further two months' rigorous imprisonment.

Mr. Kuppuswami Achari, General Secretary, Employees' Union, Western India Match Factory, was sentenced to one month's rigorous imprisonment.

Mr. Wallajah Sundaravaradan was sentenced to imprisonment till the rising of the Court and a fine of Rs. 100 in default one month's rigorous imprisonment.—A. P.

Congress Committees To Be Abolished

ALMORA, Feb. 24.

The U. P. P. C. C. is reported to have issued orders to abolish the Nainital District and other Congress mandals and has appointed Mr. Raghunath Varma as "Sanchalk" (dictator) of the Satyagraha movement in the district.—A. P.

Released From Trichi Jail

TRICHINOPOLY, Feb. 25

Mr. Athmakur Govindachariar, Member, All-India Congress Committee, who was undergoing a term of imprisonment in connection with Satyagraha and was an in-patient in the headquarters hospital, Trichinopoly has been released on medical grounds. He has left Trichinopoly for Ellore.—A.P.

In Kerala:

GANDHIJI APPROVES THIRD LIST

Task For Women Not Arrested

(From Our Correspondent)

Gandhiji approving the third list of Satyagrahis from Kerala told the K.P.C.C. president I learn if women Satyagrahis are not arrested, they need not proceed to Delhi but confine themselves to work in their own provinces. Other Satyagrahis must march to Delhi but should carry out intensive propaganda in the first stage of the journey. Satyagrahis coming from jails need not give fresh notice to magistrates before offering again.

In Council Of State

Railway Policy Under Fire

Muslim Leaguers' Walk-Out; Sinha Wants Removal Of Third Class Passengers' Grievances

NEW DELHI, Feb. 25.

The Council of State held a general discussion on the Railway Budget to-day. Before the commencement of the debate, members of the Muslim League party staged a walk-out, after their leader, Mr. Hossain Imam had made a statement.

Mr. Hossain Imam in his statement said:—

"The published report of the Railway Member's closing speech in the Legislative Assembly shows that Muslim Party's demand has been completely misunderstood. Our case has deliberately been distorted. I do not wish to discuss even this narrow issue beyond verifying our position by mentioning a few of our demands and repudiating one of the false charges against us. The individual cases of hardship, miscarriage of justice and victimisation are many but we leave them aside for the present.

"Firstly our grievance is that since the fixation of communal ratio for direct recruitment to the superior posts, Muslims have not received even 3/4th of that quota. The superior posts are all of one class, but our quota is fixed in each branch separately and there is no interchange as is done with the Anglo-Indians.

Secondly, unduly large number of posts are filled by promotion on communal grounds to keep out Muslims. In all civil services, a fixed percentage between 20 and 33 per cent is fixed by promotion

NOT HINDU-MUSLIM TUSSLE

Thirdly, we do not want 25 per cent share in promotion. But we do ask for 25 per cent of total recruitment.

Fourthly, we want direct recruitment in intermediate grades, like lower Gazetted staff and have been asking for it since 1931.

I assure our friends to my right that this is not a Hindu-Muslim tussle it is in fact the eternal triangle. Europeans and Anglo-Indians have secured 14, Hindus 13, Muslims one and other minorities one of 29 posts in the lower Gazetted staff by promotion.

Fifthly, we are dissatisfied with the present system of promotion and want a better, more equitable and just system to be adopted.

You will see, Sir, that in these circumstances no useful purpose will be served by our intervention in the discussion of the Railway Budget. The Muslim League Party in this House and the other place have, therefore, decided to abstain from participation as a protest against the Government's attitude towards our case."

NO RELIEF TO TAX-PAYER!

Lala Ramsarandas, Leader of the Opposition, congratulated the Railway Member for showing a heavy surplus. He was, however, disappointed that no relief had been given to the tax-payer, and more amenities had not been afforded to the travelling public.

RECRUITMENT ON COMMUNAL BASIS

Lala Ramsarandas criticised the policy of recruitment to services. As regards the dismantling of railway lines, the speaker asked why these lines were put out if they were "unremunerative and superfluous". He said that his information was that these lines were needed for war purposes and that was the reason why they had been dismantled. If that was so why should Government put forward excuses.

SUBURBAN SEASON TICKETS

Mr. Shantidas Askuran said "We have been told of the possibility of bringing suburban season ticket fares up to the level of the enhanced passenger fares of last year. I should leave this traffic untouched, in fact, I am in favour of further concessions being made."

He also advocated the continuance of the exemption of food grains and fodder from the increased freight applicable to other commodities.

YAKUB DEPLORES WALK-OUT

Sir Mohd. Yakub said that no Indian would object to any measure which helped the prosecution of the war. But in the matter of dismantling certain lines which were likely to result in grave wrong being done to the affected people, they must take objection. It was particularly so in the case of Chandpur-Bijnaur line. By removing that line Government had done a great disservice to the sugar industry.

Sir Mohd. disapproved of the walk-out of the Muslim League members. In doing so, he said, they were following the Congress policy of non-co-operation which they had themselves denounced. He said that after reading the speech of Sir Andrew Clow made in the Lower House he was satisfied that the interests of Muslims were safe in his hands.

THIRD CLASS PASSENGERS GRIEVANCES

Kumar N. N. Sinha said that he would have been pleased if an attempt had been made in the Budget to decrease even to a limited extent the rates of fares and freights, especially the fares of third class passengers.

Mr. Kalikar congratulated the Railway Member for his stand against the demand of the Muslim League for promotions on communal basis.

Sir David Davadoss advised the Government to spend the Railway surpluses carefully. He protested against the preferential treatment given to Anglo-Indians in the matter of recruitment. "If a Ramaswamy becomes Ramson and Subramanyam becomes Sanderson he has an easy walk-over the qualified members of other communities." Sir Davadoss particularly protested against the preferential treatment accorded to Goanese, who were foreigners and yet were recruited in preference to Indians on M. S. M. Railway.

"TAKE OVER B.N.W.R."

Pandit H. N. Kunzru protested against the proposal to raise freights of food grains. He congratulated the Railway Member and the Chief Commissioner for Railways for acquiring the two railway lines, and suggested that they should also give notice during the current year to the Bengal and North-Western Railway for the termination of their contract.

Pandit Kunzru strongly advocated the purchase of more railway stores in India. He complained that the Company-managed railways did not purchase stores in India to the same extent as did the State-managed railways.

Mr. Sapru was glad that the Railway authority had not yet come into existence. If it had been in existence there would have been no public criticism of Railway administration and therefore no Indianisation and improvement of travelling conditions. Since Railways played a great part in the national economy it was essential that they should be state-managed.

Proceeding, Mr. Sapru asked the Railway Member to give early effect to the recommendations of Rao Committee on dearness allowance.

SIR ANDREW CLOW'S REPLY.

Sir Andrew Clow, replying to the debate, said that he had never claimed credit for the surplus in the Budget. It was due to very special causes which even he himself could not anticipate himself.

MUSLIMS' GRIEVANCES.

Referring to the question of promotion of Muslims in railway services, he said that he had worked in a large number of offices and he and those officers who had worked with him were he knew, most solicitous about carrying out the policy laid down by the Government. They were fully aware that small minorities of men working largely under officers of other castes and creeds might at times feel difficulties and might at times be subjected to handicaps and Government was ready to make allowances for that.

The House adjourned till to morrow.—A. P.

DACOITS RAID RAILWAY STATION

Master Belaboured And Robbed

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 25

A gang of about 15 dacoits raided the railway station of Tanchha on the Broach Jambusar railway line says a report just received here from Broach.

The dacoits belaboured the station master, broke open the railway safe and escaped with the railway cash as also with some cash from the house of the station master who was seriously injured.

The station master was removed to the Amod Hospital. Police investigation is proceeding.—United Press.

"Illustrious" Captain Made Rear-Admiral

LONDON, Feb. 25.

In recognition of the part played by the aircraft carrier "Illustrious" in the attack on Taranto last November and in repulsing an attack later by dive-bombers her commander Capt. D. W. Boyd has been promoted Rear-Admiral. The news was received in a telegram from "Illustrious" to his home, Weybridge, Surrey.—Reuter.

No Secret Session Of Commons For Bases' Lease To U. S.

Eden Relates Story Of Matsuoka's Mediation Offer And Subsequent Back-Out

LONDON, Feb. 25.

Mr. Butler in the House of Commons to-day was asked to state the precise terms of the Japanese offer of mediation. Mr. Butler declared "in a recent communication to Mr. Eden, the Japanese Minister for Foreign Affairs after referring generally to the European war observed that Japan was fully prepared to act as mediator or to take whatever action was calculated to restore peace and normal conditions not only in Greater East Asia but anywhere in the world.

The Japanese Minister for Foreign Affairs in subsequent public statements (made, he has said, after consulting Germany) has indicated that his words were not to be regarded as an offer of mediation in the European war.

In any case, the Japanese Minister for Foreign Affairs has been informed by the Prime Minister that in a cause of the kind for which we are fighting—a cause in no way concerned with territory, trade or material gains, but affecting the whole future of humanity—there can be no question of compromise or parley (cheers).

BRITISH CONTROLS WORK

All outstanding navicerts and export licences for Rumania were revoked when Italy entered the war, declared Dr. Dalton, Minister for Economic Warfare when questioned in the House of Commons at this time, he added, Rumania was already passing under German economic control. No goods had therefore been allowed to go through the British controls to Rumania since last June.

Asked for an assurance that similar treatment would be meted out to other countries likely to be drawn into the German orbit, Dr. Dalton indicated that the Rumanian precedent might usefully be followed.

Capt. Lyttelton, President of the Board of Trade, was questioned in Parliament on British exports to Japan in the last twelve months. He declared that during the period of war, no licences had been issued for exports from Great Britain to Japan of war materials as such.

NO SECRET SESSION

Asked in the Commons to-day to accord a secret debate on the bases leased to the United States, Mr. Attlee gave an unequivocal "no" and added that Mr. Churchill had no intention of acceding to such a request—a statement which was received with cheers.—Reuter.

Walk-over For Liaquat Ali Khan

NEW DELHI, Feb. 25.

According to information received at the Headquarters of the All-India Muslim League, Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan has been elected unopposed in the by-election for the Central Assembly from the Rohilkand and Kumaon Rural Muslim Constituency.—A. P.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.

The Isolationist Senator Wheeler told pressmen on Monday that if the Lease and Lend Bill was passed its opponents would conduct a coast-to-coast campaign in an effort to keep the United States out of the war.—Reuter.

West Africans Capture Somaliland Port

Moyale Retaken By Abyssinians: Cub Cub Falls To Allied Troops

LONDON, February 25.

"West African troops on Monday captured Brava, which is a port 160 miles north of Kisumayu (Italian Somaliland), says an official 'communique' received in London.

ENEMY IN BUSH ROUNDED UP

The 'communique' continues: "Cleaning up operations are continuing in the Gelib area (on the Juba River) where yesterday our South African troops rounded up part of the enemy, who had been stranded in the bush.

MOYALE RETAKEN

On the northern sector a company of Abyssinian Irregular have captured Moyale and South African troops have now taken over this area. By the capture of Moyale, which was lost by us in July last year, the last Italian troops have also been evicted from British territory."—Reuter.

CUB CUB FALLS TO ALLIED FORCES

KHARTOUM, Feb. 25.

The capture of Cub Cub opens a new danger from the north to the Italian troops defending Keren. The Free French Forces advancing along this line are now only 63 miles from Keren and their further advance would seriously threaten the defenders in the Rear.

The capture of Cub Cub was carried out in co-operation with British units which enveloped the place and held the southern side while the French made a frontal attack.

The expectation that the Italians would soon be forced to evacuate a section of the bank of the River Juba as a result of the loss of Margherita and Gelib was expressed by the British military spokesman here. This would involve their withdrawal of some distance to the east, he said.

The success of the British and the Free French Forces at Cub Cub in Eritrea he described particularly gratifying. The mountainous nature of the terrain had favoured the defenders, providing ideal sites for machine-gun nests and gun positions and stiffer resistance had been expected.—Reuter.

R. A. F. BOMBS ADDIS ABABA

ADEN, Feb. 25.

The aerodrome buildings at Addis Ababa were extensively damaged by the R.A.F. in a raid, according to an R.A.F. communique. Transport in the Dessie Alomata area was bombed and machine-gunned and lorries were damaged and casualties to personnel caused. The R.A.F. aircraft met with opposition but all got back safely.—Reuter.

R. A. F. Straddles Nazi Cruiser With Bombs

LONDON, Feb. 25.

A heavy attack on the docks at Brest was made by the R.A.F. last night, according to an Air Ministry Communique.

NAZI CRUISER BOMBED

In a daring attack on German cruiser of the Hipper class berthed in the Brest harbour, British bombers soared out of the dark sky on Monday night, dropping bombs on the docks in the face of violent anti-aircraft fire and particularly intense searchlight activity. The heavy load of bombs dropped included some of the heaviest type ever used for this kind of target, which was straddled in all directions by many heavy sticks of bombs.

The docks which are used by German naval units were subjected to attacks lasting two hours from 8 p.m. This the most westerly of the French ports used as an outpost for German attacks on the British Atlantic trade routes was most vigorously defended and the R. A. F. had to penetrate a fierce barrage but all the planes returned safely to their bases.—Reuter.

RAID ON EAST ANGLIAN TOWN

LONDON, Feb. 25.

Several persons were killed and some buildings were damaged in an East Anglia town during Monday night's raid.

There was only "a little" enemy activity during the night and almost all the incendiary and high-explosive bombs which were dropped were at scattered points in East Anglia. Damage and casualties were nowhere great.

WORK OF ROYAL MARINES

It was made known in London to-day that the long-range heavy guns on the south-east coast of England were mounted by men of the Royal Marines. Officers of the Royal Marines are serving as pilots in the Fleet Air Arm. Men of the Royal Marines also man anti-aircraft and searchlight defences and a single battery has shot down no fewer than 44 aircraft.

COVENTRY TO BE REPLANNED

Coventry which was subjected to a heavy air raid in November last is to be replanned according to a scheme adopted by the Coventry Council.—Reuter.

Nazi Raider Off Azores—Four Br. Ships Not Yet Overdue

LONDON, Feb. 25.

Details of the Admiralty Communique show that ten of the nineteen ships in the convoy attacked by the Nazi surface raider off Azores on February 12 are known to be safe. Four others are not yet overdue.

"Following its usual practice of making announcements and claims before there has been opportunity to check facts, states the Admiralty Communique the German High Command announced that in this attack the raider had sunk fourteen ships totalling about 82,000 tons". The four ships—three British and one Allied—not yet overdue total 19,698 tons—Reuter.

Two Nazi Planes Destroyed

LONDON, Feb. 25.

Two enemy aircraft were destroyed and several others damaged during an offensive sweep over the Channel this afternoon by Coastal Command aircraft escorted by fighters. One British fighter is missing, according to an official announcement. Shipping off the French coast was attacked.—Reuter.

U. S. Bans On Export

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.

The export licensing system has been extended under a proclamation issued to-day by President Roosevelt to beryllium, graphite electrodes and aircraft. The order becomes effective immediately. A similar proclamation to take effect from March 10 will apply to belladonna, atropine, sole leather and belting.—Reuter.

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Compensation For War Damage

MUDALIAR'S SCHEME FOR PAYMENT TO SEAMEN FROM CENTRAL REVENUES GETS APPROVAL

NEW DELHI, Feb. 25.

Compensation for war injuries and damage sustained by masters and seamen employed on small vessels plying in Indian coastal waters and rivers was agreed to in principle by the Assembly to-day, on the motion of the Commerce Member, Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar. He explained in the course of the debate that the vessels concerned numbered some 77,000 and ranged from three to 200 tons.

Details of the scheme for compensation, he said, would be placed before the Standing Finance Committee for its approval.

Sir A. Ramaswami Mudaliar's resolution ran.

"This Assembly recommends to the Governor General-in-Council to take steps to establish schemes providing for the payment from Central Revenues of compensation in respect of war injuries and war damage to effects sustained during the period of the present emergency by masters and seamen employed on seagoing services on ships registered in British India under the Bombay Coasting Vessels Act, 1838, or under the Indian Registration of Ships Act, 1841.

The Commerce Member explained that rates of compensation had been provided for by His Majesty's Government for seamen on British ships registered in the United Kingdom; and these rates had been extended to Indian seamen on ships on the Indian Register but coming under the British Merchant Shipping Act. These ships were big ones and the scheme of compensation did not apply to smaller vessels numbering over 77,000 which plied in Indian coastal and inland waters.

The possibilities of war damage to these were still remote no doubt but if danger should come nearer, a scheme for extending compensation to seamen on these craft analogous to the one applicable to the bigger vessels should be ready to be applied. The resolution sought the Assembly's sanction for the establishment of suitable schemes for this purpose.

Mr. Aney said that the beneficent nature of the scheme proposed would be readily realised, but he suggested that even if the House gave general approbation to the proposal, it would be necessary for Government to approach the House or at least the Standing Finance Committee with the detailed scheme.

WHY FROM INDIAN EXCHEQUER?

Sir Yamin Khan supporting the demand for an opportunity for the House to consider the detailed scheme asked that if any ship on the Indian Register was chartered by the British Government for its own purposes and if Indian seamen on it suffered damage, compensation should be paid by His Majesty's Government. Why, he asked, should the Indian Exchequer bear the loss of a ship, say, in the Atlantic or Pacific Ocean?

Babu Baijnath Bajoria supported the resolution but asked what would be the position of British ships controlled and owned by Britishers plying between India and Rangoon or India and Singapore? He was of opinion that compensation in their case should be borne by the British Exchequer. As regards Indian ships owned by Indian nationals, if these went out on international trade, damage to them should be compensated by the British Government.

"POSTPONE DISCUSSION."

Sir Raza Ali pointed out the question of compensation for loss of ships registered in India sustained while away from Indian waters did not arise from the resolution. He thought it positively wrong of the Government of India to draft a scheme of compensation under their executive power and he asked the Commerce Member to postpone discussion on the resolution 'sine die' and bring forward a bill giving Government power to frame a detailed scheme.

Mr. N. M. Joshi wanted the assurance that the rates of compensation paid under the proposed scheme would not be less than those paid to European sailors under the British Act and not less than the rates paid under the legislation passed in Simla in 1939.

Sir Cowasji Jehangir suggested that figures should be given in the budget of the extent of the liabilities under the proposed scheme.

Mr. Azar Ali said that though the object of the resolution might be laudable, its wording was ambiguous.

MUDALIAR'S REPLY.

Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar replying said he was taken aback by the speeches. Government had the power to frame the scheme, allot the money to be paid under it, put the allotment in the next budget and ask for the sanction of the House. But he wanted the approval of the House for the proposal, and it was hard lines to be accused of doing something wrong when he asked for that approval.

He wanted the vote of the House for another purpose also. Two kinds of compensation were proposed, one an immediate grant and the other a pension, which would be a continuing liability. He wanted to strengthen himself by a vote of the House to agree to such a recurring grant.

He made it clear that he proposed, when the scheme was actually framed to put it before the Standing Finance Committee for its approval.

He explained that for Indian seamen on British ships Registered in the United Kingdom, His Majesty's Government paid all the compensation; and for Indian seamen on ships on the Indian Register the Government of India had to pay compensation. The proposed scheme now, however, related to small coastal vessels ranging from three to 200 tons.

OWNERS NOT RESPONSIBLE

In the case of these as in that of the bigger vessels, the owners would be relieved of the responsibility of paying compensation.

A voice: Why should this be?

The Commerce Member explained that war damage was not insurable risk and owners should not be saddled with it. Further, every belligerent country had felt it the duty of the Government to pay compensation, and the Government of India for once felt that they were in the same position as the most advanced country (laughter).

The House passed the resolution.

Earlier Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar's Bill to amend the petroleum act was passed.

The Assembly adjourned till to morrow.—A. P.

The Half-Column
By "Dim"

Apropos something I wrote about Indian films and film stars a few days ago a correspondent writes to give me details about the private lives of a number of film stars, details which I regard as of a sordid character. For such other correspondents who may be wasting their time sending me such stuff, I say now that this is not a column for washing dirty linen and that I shall be grateful if correspondents will refrain from sending me material like this. We have no room for it. I am sorry.

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From the "Readers Digest" comes a very good story of a couple who have been married for 60 years and now want a divorce. The judge, a trifle surprised asks the old wife: "Why after sixty years of married life do you now want a divorce?" The old lady says: "Judge, enough is enough."

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Likewise from "Life" come a number of stories of Occupied Paris. In a large store some silk stockings came up for sale and there was a rush for them at the counter. Suddenly brushing aside the other people a German officer comes up to the counter and says: "What are you selling?" "Silk stockings, sir," the old lady at the counter said. "I'll have six," he said in a bossy manner, "wrap them up quick." "Sorry, sir," she replied, "but you'll have to take your place at the end of the queue." The German officer was infuriated and thumping the counter said: "Do you know who I am? I am a German." The old lady quietly retorted: "We are all Germans now," And the officer quietly took his place at the end of the queue.

ASSAM RIFLES AS CENTRAL RESPONSIBILITY

Mr. Caroe Introduces Bill In Assembly

NEW DELHI, Feb. 25.

A Bill introduced in the Assembly to-day by Mr. O. K. Caroe, External Affairs Secretary, seeks to constitute the Assam rifles as a central responsibility.

It is explained that the regulation of this Force as a provincial subject under the present constitution is anomalous in practice. It is incongruous that a force of which approximately three quarters is normally employed for purposes with which the Provincial Government are not concerned should continue to be governed by a Provincial Act, and it has been held by the Auditor-General that since 43/58ths of the force is maintained and paid for by the Centre no arrangement is appropriate which does not involve the constitution of the force as a Central responsibility.

It is further relevant that the force is officered by officers seconded from the Regular Army and it is clearly appropriate that the authority responsible for the efficiency of the Command of the Force should be the same as the regulating authority.

Finally, the Force is not used as a police force for the investigation and detection of crime, but as an irregular corps analogous to the Frontier Corps and Frontier Constabulary, for the protection of the border and areas beyond the north-west frontier and in so far as it is used within the Assam Province, to assist the Provincial Government in the maintenance of Law and Order as an armed reserve.

It has therefore been decided in consultation and in agreement with the Government of Assam that the Force is classifiable as an "armed force raised in India by the Crown" under the Federal Legislative List. This involves Central Legislation to provide for the enrolment, maintenance and discipline of the force as a Central Force and the abandonment of the present fictional treatment of it as a force maintained by the Provincial Government.—A. P.

Assembly Questions:

Stoppage Of Remittances From Indo-China & Saigon

Hardships Caused To South Indian Families: Govt. Considering Matter Assures Caroe

NEW DELHI, Feb. 25.

The position with regard to properties owned by Indian Nationals in Saigon, Indo-China, was referred to by Mr. Aney in a number of questions in the Legislative Assembly to-day.

He asked whether the British Consul-General at Saigon had been instructed to take all necessary and possible steps to protect Indian property there in view of the present unsettled conditions prevailing there and if so what were these steps.

CONSULS' DUTY

Mr. Caroe, Foreign Secretary, replied "it is the duty of His Majesty's consuls in all foreign countries to take all proper steps to protect the interests of British subjects residing in those countries. No special repesentations have been received suggesting the necessity for the issue of special instructions on the lines suggested by the Hon. Member."

In reply to supplementaries the Foreign Secretary said that Government were prepared to bring to the notice of the Consul any special cases represented to them.

Mr. Bajoria asked if any steps had been taken to repatriate Indians and if any demand for repatriation had been received.

Mr Careo:—Not so far as I am aware

Mr. Aney:—Have the Government of India received any representation from Mr. V. Nadimuthu Pillai, M.L.A., or other Indian nationals either directly or through the Madras Government in regard to protection of property of Indians in Saigon?

Mr Caroe:—No.

Mr. Aney:—Are Government aware that during the past six months or more, the branches of the Chartered Bank and the National Bank of India in Saigon refused to accept remittances to India from Saigon of money belonging to Indian Nationals, though such remittances are allowed by the Government of Indo-China.

Mr. Caroe:—No. On the contrary Government's information is that remittances from Indo-China to India are not being allowed by the Government of Indo-China.

Mr. Aney: Do Government propose to take steps to enquire into this matter and arrange for prompt remittances to India by banks?

Mr. Caroe: Government are already considering the matter.

Replying to supplementaries, Mr. Caroe said that Government would ascertain the exact position in the matter of remittances and take steps to remove any difficulties that might exist.

Mr. Aney drew attention to the fact that many families in South India depend entirely on these remittances and were put to hardship now. Mr. Caroe said that Government were aware that Indians resident in Saigon were remitting money to their relatives in India and stoppage of remittances would cause hardship.—A. P.

JAPAN & STRATEGIC FACTS

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strict letter of the Armistice have prevented Great Britain from feeling any serious naval embarrassment and the appointment, before Christmas, of Sir Robert Brooke-Popham as Commander-in-Chief in the Far East coincided with the arrival of strong reinforcements at Singapore.

Singapore is also an important air base and its rear is secured by jungle country through which an invading army would make heavy going.

The recent despatch of a strong bombing force to North Malaya shows that the High Command is leaving nothing to chance on the Thai frontier.

The Dutch Navy, with cruisers, destroyers and a score of submarines, is not a negligible force, particularly when operating in the coral-strewn waters of the China Sea, where uninstructed pilots court certain disaster.

U. S. Fleet

The Australian Navy, with a strong force of cruisers and destroyers, must be added, and since the situation in the Far East grew more threatening last summer important concentrations of the American Fleet have remained in the Western Pacific.

Even on the basis of its unexpanded naval programme, the United States Navy seriously outnumbers the Japanese in destroyers and submarines and, in an emergency, would no doubt make full and co-operative use of Singapore.

Germany's menace in the Atlantic has not yet been sufficient to warrant the withdrawal of any part of the American Pacific Fleet. Indeed, the Tripartite Pact has made it certain that in almost any circumstances, the Pacific Fleet will stay west of Panama. The Japanese have, in fact, pulled out Germany's chestnuts from the fire. Even if Japan entered the war, she could hardly change these hard strategic facts.

Short of complete disaster in the west and the collapse of Britain's Imperial power, the Japanese "New Order" will remain for many years to come, at the most, the mere "area of common prosperity" which moderates proclaim it, provided always Britain and America are prepared to maintain vigilant guard and abstain from any tempting openings for appeasement at their own or others' expense.

If the Dutch are to continue to resist making political concessions, if the Siamese are to maintain their independence, they will, of necessity, be faced with risks and hazardous decisions. The risks will be taken only if there is an assurance of solid Anglo-American support in the background. Our own security demands that we provide that assurance.

PUNJAB'S WAR BUDGET

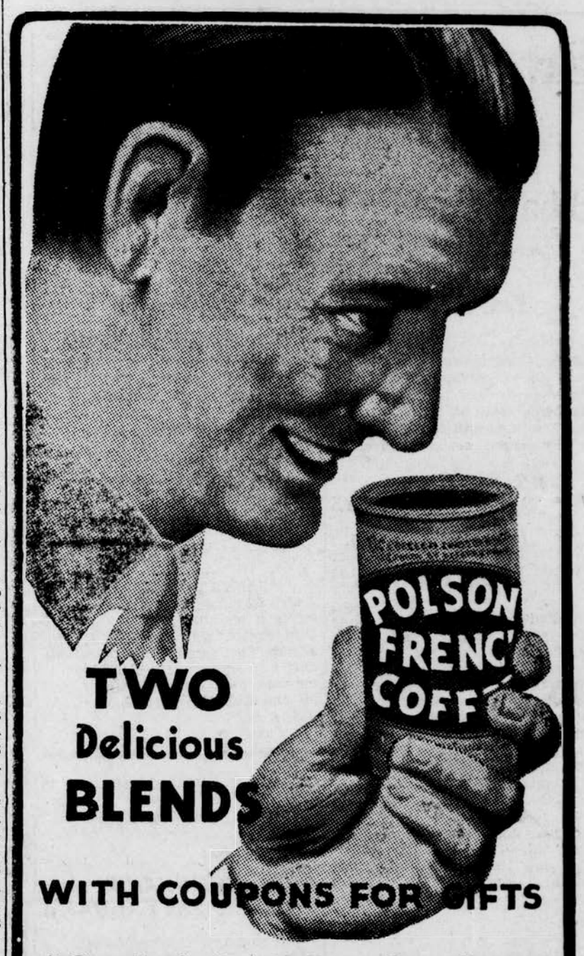
Big Amounts For Civic Guards And Air-Raid Precautions

LAHORE, Feb. 25.

In the Punjab Assembly this afternoon Sir Manohar Lal, Finance Minister, presented supplementary estimates aggregating Rs. 53,77,750. These included over Rs. 13 lakhs for the retention of the Additional Police, establishment of tear smoke squads and organisation of civic guards in each district of the province etc; Rs. 4,74,600 for Air Raid precautions; Rs. 50,000 contribution for the relief of Air Raid victims in the United Kingdom and Rs. 13 lakhs for transfer to the Special Development Fund of the province.

The House adopted without much discussion the report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Appropriation Accounts and Finance Accounts of the Punjab Government for the year 1938-39 and voted the excess grants recommended by the Committee.

Moving the consideration of the report the Finance Minister said that the Committee had examined the accounts of the province with utmost care and thoroughness. He was glad to announce that inspite of heavy expenditure on famine relief the general financial position of the province remained very sound.—A. P.



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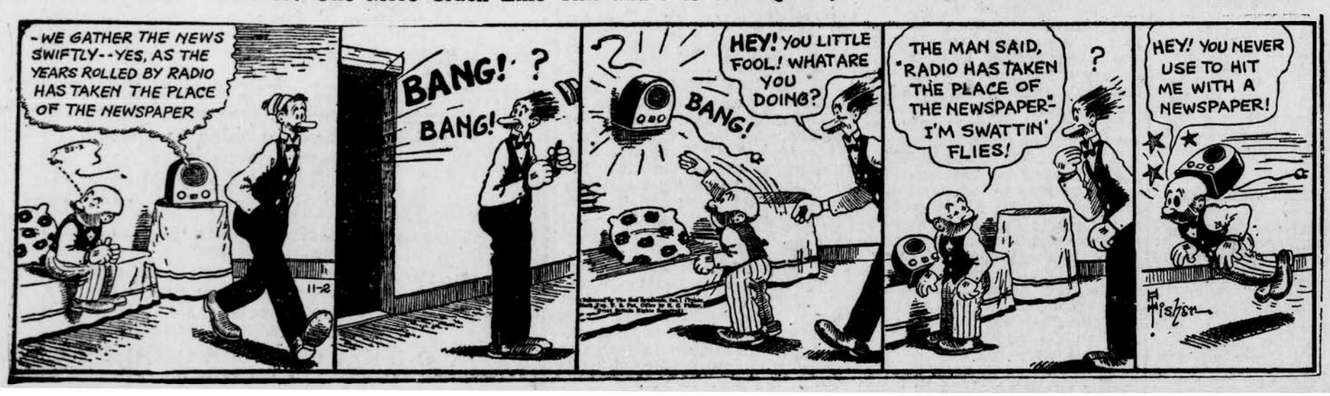
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Maharashtra Beat Northern India

Brilliant Innings By Ram Parkash: 217 Runs Added By Fifth Pair

Maharashtra (1st Innings) 798
Northern India (1st Innings) 442

POONA, February 25.

Northern India failed to reach Maharashtra's huge total (798) by 356. The visitors faced their stupendous task gamely, and their skipper, Ram Parkash carried his bat with a grand score of 209 runs. Mohmd. Sharif's effort was another fighting affair, he gave his side a splendid 118. These two batsmen had put on for the fifth wicket 217 runs. Both Ram Parkash and Mohmd. Sharif played bright cricket and hit all round the wicket.

Northern India's failure gives Maharashtra victory in the Inter-Zone Semi-Final of the Cricket Championship of India for the Ranji Trophy. Maharashtra now meet Madras in the final, the venue of the match probably being Madras.

Details Of Play

Faced with a deficit of 611 runs to pass the Maharashtra first inning's total, Ram Parkash and Mohd. Sharif continued their unfinished innings this morning, the fourth day of the match, on a wicket which showed no signs of wear. The weather was bright but the attendance was very poor, only a few hundreds being present. The Maharashtra attack was entrusted to Patwardhan and Hazare. The first scoring stroke this morning was made by Ram Parkash when he got a single off Hazare in his third over, eventually sending up his own seventy. In the next over with a three off Hazare Mohd. Sharif registered 190 of the innings and immediately thereafter got a two off Patwardhan which helped him to reach his seventy.

TWO HUNDRED REACHED

Two hundred of the innings went on the board as a result of 217 minutes' batting. At this stage Hazare was given the new ball. Ram Parkash sent the first ball from Hazare to the scorers tent for four. Two hundred and ten was registered in ten minutes under four hours. Both the batsmen were playing cautious cricket and took no risks. With a four off Patwardhan Mohd. Sharif entered his eighty. Deodhar made the first bowling change this morning after 45 minutes of play. Sohoni being brought on in place of Patwardhan. Mohd. Sharif opened his shoulders against the new bowler and began to score freely hitting round the wicket. When the score board showed 230 Hazare gave way for Saravate and Jadhav took the ball from Sohoni.

This double bowling change reduced the rate of scoring. The batsmen took no risks and seemed to be content with keeping their wickets intact.

TWO CENTURIES

Mohd. Sharif reached his century when the game had lasted 269 minutes. He had been at the wicket for 182 minutes and had hit eleven fours. The partnership between Ram Parkash and Mohd. Sharif had so far added 168 runs for the fifth wicket. Sharif celebrated his century with a four off Sarawate and signalled 250 of the innings. At this stage, Ram Parkash was four runs behind his individual century. At 262 the Raja Saheb of Jath was brought on in the place of Jadhav. With a single off the new bowler, the Northern India Captain also reached three figures. He had batted for 4 hours and 15 minutes for his century which included 10 hits to the boundary. When the score was 268 Ram Parkash put up a catch to the first slip, but Deodhar failed to hold him. Bowling changes seemed to have no effect on the batsmen who were well set and the Raja Saheb, especially received severe punishment from Ram Parkash. Seven minutes before lunch Patwardhan was brought on for a second spell, the Raja Saheb being taken off. When the teams came in for lunch Ram Parkash was with 122 and Mohd. Shariff had scored 116, total for four wickets, 294.

MOHD. SHARIF LEAVES

Resuming after lunch, Saravate opened the attack. In the first over Mohd. Sharif survived a stumping chance off Saravate's fourth ball. Mohd. Sharif, however, did not stay long, Hazare clean-bowling him with the fourth ball of his first over after lunch (298-5-118). Mohd. Sharif had batted for 313 minutes for 118 and had hit twelve fours. In partnership with Ram Parkash he had added 217 runs for the fifth wicket. Mohd. Sharif played bright cricket hitting all round the wicket.

Anwar Hussain and Ram Parkash now became associated. The newcomer did not appear to be comfortable. The third century of the innings went on board five minutes after lunch.

SUBDUED CRICKET

With the fall of Mohd. Sharif's wicket both Ram Parkash and Anwar Hussain played a subdued game, only fifteen runs being added in half an hours play. When the score was 317 Saravate was given a rest and Deodhar himself took the ball. Ram Parkash greeted the rival captain with a three off him. Forty minutes after lunch, Gokhale, who had been keeping the wicket injured his finger and retired and Bhajekar took his place behind the sticks. R. B. Nimbalkar came out to field. In Deodhar's second over Anwar Hussain got a life, he was dropped by Bhajekar the new wicket keeper.

After Hazare had bowled unchanged for 55 minutes after lunch he was taken off and Patwardhan was given the ball. At this stage the score was 336 for loss of five wickets.

Ram Parkash who had been batting with great confidence taking no risks and reached his 150. He was at the wicket for five hours and 50 minutes and had so far hit twelve fours.

After the Maharashtra Captain had bowled seven overs during which he gave away only six runs he made way for Sohoni at the Club House end and in the next over Saravate took over from Patwardhan. A little later with a single off Sohoni the Northern India skipper registered the 350 of the innings.

SARAVATE BAGS TWO MORE

In the next over, however, Saravate bagged his third wicket of the match, Anwar Hussain being sent back to the pavilion, caught by R. B. Nimbalkar off him (353-6-25).

Agha Sarfaraz now joined his Captain for the seventh wicket. The new comer opened with a single off Saravate. When the score was 362 the Raja Saheb of Jath, the slow googly bowler, replaced Sohoni. Fifteen minutes before tea Saravate captured another of the visitor's wickets, Agha Sarfaraz being bowled when he was only eleven. (374|7|11). Ahmed Khan filled the vacancy and started shakily. Deodhar now made frequent changes in bowling and brought on Hazare again in place of the Raja Saheb of Jath. Despite the changes the pair played on till tea time, when the score was 384 runs for loss of seven wickets, Ram Parkash batting 171 and Ahmed Khan batting one.

A CAPTAIN'S EFFORT

On resumption after tea Saravate took the ball first and Hazare bowled opposite to him.

Ram Parkash employed the tactics of facing the bowling himself. He stole a single at the end of each over as far as he could. At 405 the new ball was taken and Jadhav commenced the attack. With a four off this bowler, Ram Parkash reached his individual 180.

A little later, Patwdardhan got his first wicket by clean bowling Ahmed Khan when he had scored eleven (427-8-11).

RAM PARKASH REACHES 200

Habibullah now came in. Ram Parkash with a three off Jadhav completed his own double century. Ram Parkash was at the wicket for seven hours and 20 minutes and had hit 17 fours. The Northern India Captain exhibited fine wrist and foot work. Pulls and drives were his chief scoring strokes. Ten minutes before the drawing of stumps Sohoni took over from Jadhav. Habibullah put up a catch in the slips and Mohoni made no mistake (436-9-0).

Ramzan joined Ram Parkash for the last wicket. Sohoni in his next over closed the visiting side's innings, Ramzan being caught by Jadhav. Ram Parkash carried his bat with a grand 209 to his credit.

MAHARASHTRA (1st Innings) 798

NORTHERN INDIA (1st Innings)

Jagdish Lal, b Hazare	5
Mohd. Nazar, b Hazare	21
Amir Hussain, c Gokhale, b Saravate	12
Ram Parkash (not out)	209
Gul. Mohd. b Saravate	1
Mohd. Sharif, b Hazare	118
Anwar Hussain, c Nimbalkar, b Saravate	25
Agha Sarfaraz, b Saravate	11
Ahmed Khan, b Patwardhan	16
Habibullah, c Mohoni, b Sohoni	0
Ramzan, c Jadhav, b Sohoni	4
Extras	20
Total	442

Fall of wickets:—1|11, 2|30, 3|69, 4|81, 5|298, 6|353, 7|374, 8|427, 9|436, 10|442.

BOWLING

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Patwardhan	37	17	47	1
Saravate	46	19	69	4
Raja Saheb of Jath	14	0	49	0
Deodhar	8	3	14	0
Hazare	42	7	116	3
Sohoni	24.5	4	70	2
Jadhav	17	4	44	0
Bhajekar	2	0	13	0

ZOROASTRIAN CRICKET CUP

Great Bowling By Marfatia: Khodaiji Scores A Century

Four further matches were decided in the Young Zoroastrian Cricket Cup Tournament. All the games were played at the Esplanade Maidan, Bombay.

R. Khodaiji (Wellington C. C.) made a century against the Parsi Cyclists Sports Club. P. Kateli (Esplanade Liberals) hit up 62. E. Doctor (Dadar Zoroastrians) phased with his effort in which he collected 59. Another good performance was by M. Panday (Persian C. C.) he passed the half century by three.

Good bowling figures were returned by P. Madon (Wellington C. C.) 5 for 45; J. Marfatia (John Bright C. C.) 7 for 49; S. Toddywalla (Parsi Cyclists) 3 for 22.

KHODAIJI'S CENTURY

The match between the Wellington C. C and the Parsi Cyclists Sports Club which was unfinished last week was brought to a conclusion. The Wellington C. C. won by 138 runs.

WELLINGTON CRICKET CLUB

B. Irani 17. T. Kapadia 38. B. Mistry 4. D. Boriawalla 19. P. Madon 11. D. Bhiwandiwalla 23. R. Khodaiji 104. N. Kanga 56. H. Korkhan 13. A. Mistry 11 P. Mitowalla 0 Extras 30. Total 326.

BOWLING:—J. Balsara 2 for 55; F. Fracis 1 for 54; S. Toddywalla 3 for 22; D. Nakra 2 for 42; R. Nazir 1 for 6; R. Dadachanji 1 for 34

PARSI CYCLIST SPORTS CLUB

A. Shroff 47. D. Nakra 2. T. Parekh 26. J. Balsara 29. R Dadachanji 1. P Billimoria 39. B. Palsetia run out 9. S. Toddywalla 2 R. Toddywalla 3. F. Fracis 0. R. Nazir not out 1. Extras 29. Total 188.

BOWLING:—D. Boriawalla 1 for 40; P. Madon 5 for 45; D Bhiwandiwalla 3 for 35.

MARFATIA 7 FOR 49

This was another match that remained unfinished last week. The Naoroz C. C. "A" who had batted first collected 248 runs. The John Bright C. C. "B", their opponents, failed to reach this figure by 76.

NAOROZ CRICKET CLUB "A"

A. Contractor 58. H. Mistry 0. P Umrigar 0. D Kapadia 98. K. Cama 7. N. Achadwalla 0. J. Irani 1. N. Cooper 19. E. Chinoy (not out) 7. N. Tampal 40. S. Talati 6. Extras 12. Total 248.

BOWLING:—Mody 1 for 24; Vaid 1 for 51; Elavia 0 for 18; Tanadia 0 for 43; J. Marfatia 7 for 49. K. Cooper 1 for 50.

JOHN BRIGHT CRICKET CLUB "B"

J. Mistry 8. B Master 3. H. Parekh 37. R. Mehta 32. J. Marfatia 5. R. Vaid 4. H. Dubash 9. K. Cooper 10. F. Mody not out 18. N Elavia 29. Extras 17. Total (for 9 wkts.) 172

BOWLING:—S. Talati 2 for 57; D. Kakalia 2 for 25 and K. Cama 4 for 44

YOUNG ZOROASTRIANS WIN

The Young Zoroastrians C. C. "A" bettered the Dadar Zoroastrian C. C. by three wickets. The best batting performance came from a member of the beaten side, E. Doctor, who scored 59. J. Daruwalla of the Young Zoroastrians bowled well dismissing four for 37.

DADAR ZOROASTRIAN CRICKET CLUB

F. Paymaster 11. F. Mirza 8. E. Doctor 59. R. Mody 3. R. Doctor 9. J. Morris 15. P. Davierwalla 1. D. Mody 14. M. Aga 30. D. Bilpodiwalla 4. F. Contractor not out 2. Extras 7. Total 163.

BOWLING:—A. Daruwalla 0 for 12; J. Mistry 4 for 68; G Shroff I for 13; H. Wadia 1 for 26; J. Daruwalla 4 for 37

YOUNG ZOROASTRIAN CRICKET CLUB "A"

K. Lelinwalla 36. F. Variava 1 A. Irani 18. H. Wadia 33 A. Screwwalla not out 46. A. Daruwalla 4. S. Coachman 3. J Unwalla not out 11. G. Shroff and G. Mistry did not bat. J. Daruwalla 13 Extras 3. Total (for 7 wkts.) 168.

BOWLING:—R. Mody 0 for 11; E. Doctor 2 for 49; R. Doctor 1 for 7; F. Mirza 2 for 72 and D. Mody 2 for 26.

LIBERALS EASY VICTORY

The Persian Club lost to the Esplanade Liberal C. C., the former winning by four wickets.

PERSIAN CRICKET CLUB

H. Desai 0. M. Panday 53. R. Dalal 5. K. Mody 1. F. Kotwal 11. J. Vajifdar 9. C. Billimoria 3. D. Umrigar 48. D. Vavaina 9. B. Achadwalla 3. R. Soonawalla not out 8. Extras 13. Total 163.

ESPLANADE LIBERAL CRICKET CLUB

Siganporia 32. J. Mody 0. Kavarana 8. K. Mehta not out 37. P. Kateli 62. Bharucha 10. B. Mehta 2. J. Elavia not out 18. Extras 6. Total (for 6 wkts.) 175.

SAWHNEY'S DEBUT IN N.-W. INDIA TENNIS

KARACHI, Feb. 25.

S. L. R. Sawhney and Shamshersingh made a successful debut in North-Western India Tennis Tournament this evening, when visitors defeated home players in straight sets in all the half a dozen matches decided to-day.

RESULTS

MENS SINGLES: S. L. R. Sawhney beat Shahni 6—4, 6—1.

Shamshersingh beat Gardiner 6—2, 6—3.

MENS DOUBLES: Chari and Dyall beat Premchand and Mitchell 9—7, 6—2.

Hannah and Westwood beat M. F. Dastur and Graham 7—5, 6—4.

Blake and Fraser beat Shivdasani and J. Dastur 6—2, 6—4.

Lalla and Vasant vs. Jagtiani and A. Dinshaw 6—3, 3—6 (unfinished).

MIXED DOUBLES: Lalla and Miss Khilnani beat Hughes Hallett and Mrs. Gentry 6—4, 5—7, 6—1.

WOMENS DOUBLES: Miss G. Kavasji and Miss Khilnani vs. Miss K. Minwalla and Miss V. Minwalla 7—5, 3—6 (unfinished).—A. P.

Arya Kreeda Mandal Sports

THANA, Feb. 25.

The Fourth Annual Sports-meet of the Arya Kreeda Mandal, Thana, was held at the Central Maidan.

The function was attended by a distinguished gathering and attracted a large number of competitors from local schools and Physical Culture institutions, Bombay was also represented.

Mr. Vijay Merchant presided and distributed the Prizes. Speaking on the occasion he paid tributes to the Mandal's efforts for the Social and Physical development of the people of Thana. He suggested the presentation of certificates of Merit and Honour to the winning competitors instead of cups, medals and such other articles.

All the items were keenly contested. The Kanara Athletes of Bombay gave a very good account of themselves. In the ladies section Miss Gulab Warty, Miss Mona De Mello and Miss Kusum Dalvi were the best. G. G. Dalvi and V. G. Kulkarni were the best athletes among the men.

Championship Hockey

G. I. P. PLAY TAME GAME

"Times" Sports Club Unlucky To Loose

Few people would disagree with the opinion that, "The Times of India" were very unlucky to go out of the Provincial Hockey Championship on Tuesday. The losers allowed victory to the G. I. P. Railway (Headquarters) by the narrowest of margin.

Fans anticipated the elimination of the Pressmen, but the latter played an untiring and hard game throughout and on the run of play the least they deserved was a draw, not a few felt they should have won. During the greater portion of the second half the Railway were defending desperately. The earlier period was more or less shared

THE GAME

"The Times of India" crossed over to Railway territory at the start and worried the opposing defence. After a short spell of this the struggle was seen at both ends in turn. The first scoring chance was lost by Gaitley the G. I. P. outside right. He put the ball high and wide.

The Pressmen were again dangerous but failed to penetrate the Railway defence. Play was transferred and Tellis, G. I. P. flying, outside left, was pulled up twice wrongly by the referee for being offside On each of these occasions he could have got away down the left, as he was unmarked.

The exchanges were shared for the rest of the half and teams crossed over with no score.

THE WINNING GOAL

Early after the interval, the only goal of the match, the decider, came. Latif with a brilliant display of dribbling got the better of all opposition. He then worked to the left of the "D" and bettered, Brown with a cute shot that gave the goalee no chance.

The equaliser might have come shortly after, F. E. De Souza, "The Times of India" Club's clever centre forward, got past the G. I. P. backs and entered the "D", but Dawson, the Railway goalkeeper, rushed him and deprived him of the ball. Marsh, the G. I. P. centre-half, kicked the ball in the ring, the penalty corner gave Thomas a fine opportunity to net the equaliser. He made a fatal mistake in hesitating. The delay allowed Dawson to get positioned and others to pack the goal Marsh was pulled up once more for an infringement in the "D". The penalty corner served no purpose. A little later Mendes was unlucky with a fast shot, a defender just got his stick to the flying ball to deflect it.

A bit of bad luck came to the Railway, when Latif with only Brown to beat made sticks in his attempt to score. In the opposite area F. E. De Souza was rightly surprised not to see a hot shot from him to find the net. Hakim took a nasty knock above his knee to stop this attempt at equalising. The game was held up for a couple of minutes while Hakim received attention. A glorious scoring chance came to Thomas in the last minutes of the game. He failed and the Railway won by a solitary goal.

The teams were:

G. I. P. RLY.—Dawson, Carvalho and Ross; Rahmat, Marsh and E. Bocarro; Gaitley, Hakim, Latif, M. Bocarro and Tellis.

"TIMES OF INDIA".—Brown, Lynn and R. D'Souza; Silveira, Fernandes and Menezes; Mendes, Thomas, F. E. D'Souza, Correia and Warbrick.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

B. P. H. A. Ground—4-45 p.m.—Customs vs. St. Xavier's "B"; 5-15 p.m.—Kirkee United vs. Young Sports.

War Fund Hockey

The following players have been selected to play for Bombay against Poona on Sunday, March 2. The match is in aid of the War Fund:

H. S. Lynn (Young Sports), J. Jameson (Police), O. Fereira (St. Xavier's), M. Adams (Police), F. Brewin (Customs), Egbert De Souza (St. Xavier's), B. G. Gardner (B. E. S. T.), Nasir (Customs), A. Latif (G. I. P. Railway), J. Pinto (Customs) G. Fernandes (B. B. and C. I. Railway).

RESERVES.—A. De Sales (B. B. and C. I. Railway), F. Correia ("Times of India"); E. Marsh (Cathedral (Old Boys), E. Bocarro (G. I. P. Railway).

In case Hakim (G. I. P. Railway) does not go to Calcutta to play for All-India against Bengal, he will play inside right, Nasir going to the right wing B. G. Gardiner falls out as a reserve.

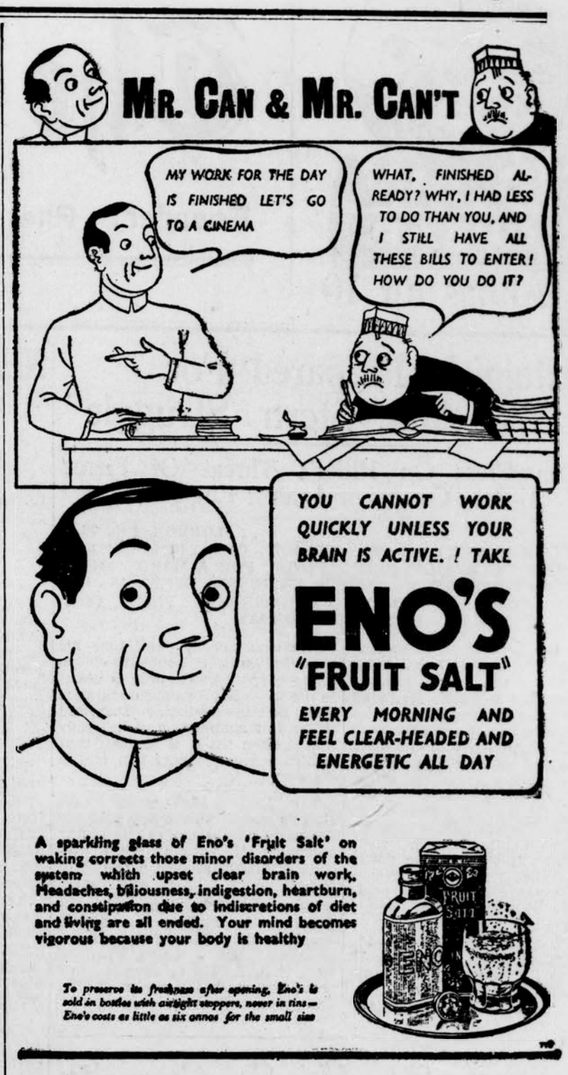
Lewis Cup

There was no match played in the Lewis Cup Tournament on Tuesday. This evening on the St. Xavier's College Gymkhana Ground, Parel, at 5-15 p.m. The B. B. and C. I. Railway "B" meet Bombay City.

Thrice Drawn Final

LUCKNOW, Feb. 25.

For the third time the final of the Inter-University Hockey Tournament ended in a goalless draw. The finalists were the Lucknow University and the Allahabad University.—A. P.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"Britain Is Prepared For Long And Stern Struggle"

London Press On Hitler's Threat Of Fierce U-Boat Campaign Against England

LONDON, Feb. 25.

BRITAIN WARNED OF THE MENACE OF THE COMING SUBMARINE CAMPAIGN, PREPARATION FOR A HARD FIGHT AND DETERMINATION TO ENDURE UNTIL THE ENEMY IS DEFEATED FORM THE KEYNOTE OF LONDON'S PRESS COMMENTS ON HITLER'S SPEECH ON MONDAY.

Under the heading "The Fanatical Fuehrer," the "Daily Telegraph" writes that the Fuehrer had very little to offer Germany at his coming of age party.

Once more the Germans were told to put their trust on one man. We recognise that the U-boat aided by aircraft is, at these times, our greatest danger and we are prepared for a long and stern fight: but the resources which the British Commonwealth commands with the productive power of the United States confirms that this year's submarine campaign will end like those which were defeated in the past.

The Fuehrer "looks to the future with fanatical assurance!" such was the comfort he could give Germany.

The "Manchester Guardian" writes that nobody will take his threats lightly or doubt that a fierce chapter in the war is about to open. But British endurance and British resilence surprised Hitler last summer and he may find when the trial comes that British resourcefulness can match his own.

The "Daily Mail" writes that Hitler's speech was a pep talk to Germany on the eve of the spring campaign. He poured out a cascade of falsehood with a trickle of of truth.

We can believe him when he threatens to launch his greatest boat and air campaign against our shipping. He is wrong when he says that it will be such as we never expected. We expect it. We are preparing for it.—Reuter.

Challenge To U. S. Capacity

American Reaction To Hitler's Speech: New World Awaits Action Rather Than Talk

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.

A generally phlegmatic reception is accorded here to Hitler's speech as indicated by the first reactions. Attention centres on the threat of intensified submarine warfare which to-day's "New York Times" and "Herald Tribune" both interpret as a challenge to the capacity of the United States to deliver war material overseas.

There are signs of scepticism regarding Hitler's real intentions which some commentators believe the speech attempted to conceal and it is pointed out as significant that no mention was made of invading Britain or of the Balkan situation.

There is little doubt that American opinion awaits action rather than talk and if the latter is intended as a contribution to the war of nerves against the United States, commentators consider it unlikely to have much effect.—

The "New York Times" says: "Hitler's plans are still obscure but his shipping threat is real. It is a challenge to the Americas, which must be met by speeding up merchant marine production and by requisitioning of interned ships".

"Mussolini's speech shows that Italy is now a German vassal". writes the "Herald Tribune", adding "Hitler's speech will serve a useful purpose if it arouses Americans to the seriousness of the sea war".—Reuter.

Indo-China-Thailand Settlement Imminent

TOKIO, Feb. 25.

A settlement of the Thailand-French Indo-China Border dispute is imminent, according to a statement made here to-day (Tuesday) by Mr. Koh Ishii, Japanese Official spokesman, who said contrary to the report of threatened breakdown in the peace negotiations, that "a settlement of the dispute is almost at hand. We hoped to bring the Peace Conference to a conclusion to-day but the border question is so complicated that the armistice agreement between France and Thailand has been prolonged for another ten days until March

ANTI-JAPANESE FEELING

Questioned regarding press despatches from Saigon reporting anti-Japanese feeling there, Mr. Ishii declared, "French Indo-China is assuming a friendly attitude towards Japan".

Talks between Japan and Francee on Japan's trade relations with Indo-China which are taking place in Tokyo concurrently with the peace talks "are going on in a peaceable atmosphere" he declared.

Mr. Ishii referred, however, to reports that some Japanese firms have been expelled from Indo-China and said that the matter would be taken up with France.—Reuter.

LONDON, Feb. 24.

The Greek Minister had an interview with Mr. Winston Churchill to-day, Reuter learns.—Reuter.

NEAR-EAST CONFERENCE

To Meet In Cairo

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CAIRO, (By Air Mail.)

It is understood that vigorous preparations for holding a conference of the representatives of all Near-East countries are going on in Egypt. The object of this conference is to discuss the commercial relations, in the light of the present political situation, and the possibility of exchanging the products of the Near-East countries with Egypt. Invitations, it is stated, will be sent also to Yemen and Saudi Arabia.

The "Benghazi day" was enthusiastically celebrated in Cairo with a big party given by Sayed Idris, the leader of Sanousies in Egypt. Speaking on behalf of the Arabs, Sayed Idris congratulated General Wavell and British authorities and revealed that the hostility of the Arabs towards Italy was intense and that the Arabs would never forget how their great leader, Sayed Omar El-Mukhtar, was hanged by Italy and how their country Tripoli was looted by Marshal Balbo.

The Imam of Yemen has promulgated a law prohibiting the purchase, sale or carrying of arms throughout Yemen without special permission of the Imam. Everyone in Yemen, it may be noted here, was free to arm himself in any way he liked without any permission from the Imam.

As an extra precautionary measure, the Turkish Government have decided to raise a loan of £10 million through the National Bank of Ankara with effect from March 1941. This amount will be utilized in strengthening the defence of the country.

Italian Labourers In Germany

LONDON, Feb. 24.

Two hundred thousand Italian workers will arrive in Germany in the next few days, according to the German radio on Sunday. The nature of the work is unspecified. Sgr. Capoferri, Chief of the Fascist Labour Confederation, has arrived in Berlin.—Reuter.

EDITORS' CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE MEETING

NEW DELHI, Feb. 24.

Mr. J. N. Sahni, convener of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference, informs the press that a meeting of the Standing Committee of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference will be held on Tuesday, March 4, at 10 a.m. at the office of the "Hindustan Times."

The members of the Standing Committee, who will be in Delhi will be entertained to lunch by the "Statesman" on March 3 and the "Hindustan Times" on March 4.

Mr. K. Srinivasan, President of the Conference, arrives here on March 3.—A.P.

Wake Up Anglo-Indians

Sir Henry Gidney's Address At U. P. European Assn.

LUCKNOW, Feb. 24.

An impassioned appeal to Anglo-Indians to "wake up from their slumber" and bring about a resuscitation of their community was made by Sir Henry Gidney and a number of Anglo-Indian leaders at the annual general meeting of the U. P. branch of the Anglo-Indian and Domiciled European Association this evening.

Presiding at the meeting Sir Henry said: "Unless you wake up from your slumber and unless you are prepared to join this association which is the only body that has helped you, you are accessory to the utter extinction of the community".

Recalling at length the record of service that the association had to its credit for the betterment of the lot of Anglo-Indians Sir Henry said that as a result of their labours, any Anglo-Indian could enter the British unit declaring himself as an Anglo-Indian.

Mr. H. Walford, M.L.A., was re-elected President of the Association.—A. P.

Non-Party Leaders To Meet In Bombay On March 13

NEW DELHI, Feb. 25.

The proposed conference of prominent non-party leaders interested in the attempt initiated by Sir Jagdish Prasad and others for a settlement of the political deadlock is expected to meet in Bombay on March 13.

Mr. M. S. Aney has agreed to attend the conference of non-party leaders at Bombay.—A. P.

PRINCES CHAMBER MEETING

NEW DELHI, Feb. 24.

The next session of the Chamber of Princes (Narendra Mandal) will open at 10-30 a.m. on the 17th March, 1941, in the Princes Sector of the Council House, New Delhi.—A.P.

Italian Prisoners In Bangalore Total 8,600

BANGALORE, Feb. 24.

With the arrival of 3.500 Italian prisoners on Sunday and Monday the total number of prisoners now in Bangalore is about 8.600 including 1,600 officers.—A. P.

DISOBEDIENCE OF LAWFUL COMMAND OF SUPERIORS PUNISHED

CALCUTTA, Feb. 24.

Forty Indian seamen were sentenced to-day to twelve weeks' rigorous imprisonment each under the Indian Merchants' Act to-day by a Magistrate in Bankshall Steel police court.

The accused, who were arrested in Bombay, were prosecuted here on a charge of disobeying the lawful command of their superior officers.—A. P.

FORTRESS OF THE FAR NORTH

Nazis Won't Be Able To Oust British From Iceland Now

REYKJAVIK, Feb. 24.

Reuter's special correspondent in Iceland writes:—

In nine months since the British troops occupied this remote island, no time has been wasted in converting it into a fortress of the far north. Permanent camps have been laid out, roads have been built and defences have been constructed. Britain has now consolidated her northern-most military outpost of Iceland and the British army headquarters here are confident that no attempt by Germany to oust the British there would have the slightest chance of success.

The troops are cheerful and in excellent health although having to contend with an erratic climate. The food is good, mostly bought locally and sickness has been remarkably low. English beer is now brewed for the British troops by an Icelandic firm. Intensive training has been carried out including a mock invasion.

Training in mobile warfare is a especial feature. Special arctic equipment has been issued and skis supplied in large numbers. Relations between the High Command and the Icelandic Government are excellent.—Reuter.

EDEN COMMENDS ROLE OF FREE FRENCH FORCES IN EGYPT

CAIRO, Feb. 25.

As soon as he arrived here Mr. Eden received General Catroux, leader of the Free French in the Middle East, it is now revealed. Mr. Eden congratulated Gen. Catroux on the part played by the Free French forces in the defence of Egypt and against the Italians in Abyssinia and on the valuable contribution which the French soldiers, sailors and airmen were making in the fight against the common enemy.—Reuter.

Sir Frederick Banting Killed In Plane Accident

OTTAWA, Feb. 25.

The Canadian Defence Headquarters announces that Sir Frederick Banting and two others were killed.

The newspaper "Montreal Star" states that it is defintely established that Sir Frederick Banting was killed in the plane accident.

Mr. Mackenzie-King stated at the time of his death Sir Frederick Banting was proceeding to Britain on a mission "of high national scientific importance."—Reuter.

U. S. MISSION TO CHINA

CHUNGKING, Feb. 24.

Mr. Laughline Currie and Mr. Emile Despres, members of the United States Economic Mission to China, are expected to leave here by air on Thursday on their return journey to Washington.—Reuter.

French Cabinet Reformed

Admiral Darlan Becomes Vice-Premier And Minister For Foreign Affairs

ROME, Feb. 25.

Marshal Petain has reformed his cabinet, according to a Berne dispatch to the Official Italian News Agency. It now consists of five ministers and seven under-secretaries.

Admiral Darlan is Vice-Premier, Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Interior; General Huntziger, Minister for National Defence; M. Barthelemy, Minister for Justice; M. Bouthillier, Minister for Finance and M. Casiot, Minister for Agriculture.

The Under-Secretaries include General Bergeret for Air and Admiral Platon for the Colonies. There are two delegates—one for Franco-German negotiations and the other for national equipment and unemployment—and a secretary to the Vice-Presidency of the council.

Marshal Petain has introduced new blood in his ministry. He has also reorganised the offices themselves, says the Official French News Agency.

The Ministry of Industrial Production and Labour is divided into two under-secretaryships, the first for industrial production (M. Pucheux) and the second for family and health (M. Jacqers Chevallier) which are being set up.

NEW CALEDONIA FOR FREE FRANCE

Refuses Permission To Japanese Vessels To Take On Cargoes Of Iron Ore

SYDNEY, Feb. 24.

Two Japanese vessels which have been anchored off Noumea, New Caledonia, for the past nine days have been refused permission to take on cargoes of iron ore, according to the Noumea correspondent of the Sydney "Sun."

The reason given is that the quarterly allotment of 24,000 tons of iron ore for Japan has already been exceeded. New Caledonia, a French Southern Pacific Island, declared allegiance to general De Gaulle last September after a bloodless revolution.—Reuter.

GANDHIJI AND U. P. STUDENTS

LUCKNOW, Feb. 23.

Mr. Balram Singh Srivatsava, General Secretary U. P. Provincial Students' Federation announces that Mahatma Gandhi has agreed to address the Working Committee of the U. P. Provincial Students' Federation during his visit to Allahabad in connection with the opening ceremony of the Kamala Nehru Hospital.—A. P.

Kripalani At Allahabad

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 24.

Acharya Kripalani, General Secretary of the Congress, arrived this evening from Lucknow in connection with Mahatma Gandhi's visit to Allahabad to open the Kamala Nehru Memorial Hospital on February 28.

It is understood Mahatma Gandhi will arrive here on the evening of February 27 and return to Wardha on March 1. Dr. Rajendra Prasad and Dr. Syed Mahmud are also expected here for the occasion.—A. P.

"Hindu" Fund For Kamala Nehru Hospital

MADRAS, Feb. 24.

The "Hindu" supports an appeal for funds for the Kamala Nehru Hospital for which it says Rs. 4,40,000 has already been subscribed and that only Rs. 60,000 remains to be contributed.

"It is now for South India" says the paper, "to step in and enable the balance to be made up so that Mahatma Gandhi might have the satisfaction of realising—and announcing on the day of the opening—that his appeal had not been made in vain."

The paper says that it would receive donations for this purpose.

The first list of donations acknowledged in the "Hindu" to-day total Rs. 1,577.—A. P.

Handloom Fact-Finding Committee

MADRAS, Feb. 24.

Dr. P. J. Thomas, Chairman of the Fact-finding Committee (handloom and mill industry) arrived in Madras to-day from Hyderabad accompanied by the Secretary of the Committee. The Committee will start work at the Secretariat from to-morrow for a week after which they will visit Madura and Coimbatore among other centres in the Province.

They will later visit Bangalore and Mysore and then proceed to Bombay.—A. P.

COAL CRISIS MUST BE AVERTED

Mining Federation Committee Urges Thorough Investigation

CALCUTTA, Feb. 25

The appointment of a Committee of Enquiry for a thorough investigation of the causes of continued slump in coal trade and for suggesting means by which the industry may be assisted in solving its various difficult problems, is urged in a representation made by the Committee of the Indian Mining Federation to the Government of India, Department of Commerce.

While not minimising the difficulties that might be encountered at present in bringing into existence the proposed committee of enquiry, in view of the more pressing demands made by the prosecution of the war, the Committee holds the view that "the nature of difficulties that the coal trade is now facing may be gauged with some accuracy only during such times as the present one, and a foretaste of the complicated situation that this trade will have to face may be obtained only now when various burdens have been piled up on the trade, directly or indirectly, without bringing corresponding advantages. The post-war economic developments and industrial requirements of the country may well demand systematic planning of production, distribution and consumption as well as conservation of coal, to be formulated from now."

The committee, therefore, considers it of the utmost importance that an enquiry committee would be appointed at the earliest opportunity, in order that the trade may be in a position to adequately meet "the complicated situation that is bound to arise on the termination of the war."

The proposed enquiry committee, it is suggested provisionally, should be composed of accredited experts in coal mining industry and representatives of the coal trade.—A. P.

MALABAR DISTRICT BOARD DISSOLVED

Echo Of Text Book Committee Case

CALICUT, Feb. 25.

Telegraphic orders have been received from the Government of Madras dissolving the Malabar District Board and the collector has taken over charge from the President.

The meeting fixed for to-day to elect a vice-President in the place of Mr. Kannan who is in jail in connection with Satyagraha stands cancelled.

As already reported the Board has been functioning for a fortnight now without a president or a vice-president or an ex-officio president.

The elected president Mr. K. V. Nurudin, is disqualified according to the Local Boards Act having been sentenced by a criminal court to two years' rigorous imprisonment for "an offence involving moral delinquency" in what is known as the Malabar-Board Text-Book Committee case.—A. P.

Charlie Chan Detective Story Day By Day

NOT AN ORDINARY BE AN-SHOOTER

BANANA BOAT MYSTERY

BIENA! WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN CABIN OF MR. TREVOR?
YOU AND MR. BARROW HAVE MUCH FUN BEING DETECTIVE! BIENA I TRY TO ASSIST ON BIG CASE, TOO!
BEATING US AT OUR OWN GAME, EH? WHAT HAVE YOU GOT THERE?
BIENA I FIND IT UNDER MATTRESS OF BED—
WELL, PUT IT BACK AND—NO!—WAIT—LET ME SEE THAT!
CHARLIE—IT'S A BLOW PIPE—FOR POISONED DARTS!
Alfred Andriola
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